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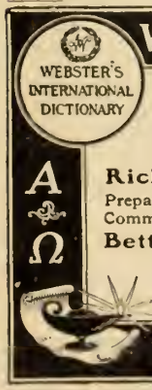

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BLACK SHEEP.

By Richard Burton.

From their folded mates they wander far,
Their ways seem harsh and wild;
They follow the beck of a baleful star,
Their paths are dream-beguiled.

Yet haply they sought but a wider range,
Some loftier mountain-slope,
And little recked of the country strange
Beyond the gates of hope

And haply a bell with a luring call
Summoned their feet to tread
Midst the cruel rocks, where the deep pitfall
And the luring snare are spread.

Maybe, in spite of their tameless days,
Of outcast liberty,
They're sick at heart for the homely ways
Where their gathered brothers be.

And oft at night, when the plains fall dark
And the hills loom large and dim,
For the Shepherd's voice they mutely hark,
And their souls go out to Him.

Meanwhile, "Black sheep! Black sheep!" we cry,
Safe in the inner fold:
And maybe they hear, and wonder why,
And marvel, out in the cold.

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THE NEW LIFE.

By Rev. S. E. MacGeehon.

The Congregational Church in W.— was about to call a certain bachelor minister. His preaching was liked, and so was his social manner. Only one thing stood in the way; he was unmarried. But having assured them that he had no thought of marriage, as he wished to give the church his undivided attention, they called him. For two years all went well, then suddenly he discovered that his heart was captured.

In speaking to a fellow minister of his engagement, he described his experience as a "new life" which went beyond his former belief of the possible. He exclaimed, "Why, it is heavenly."

If such be true in the earthly friendship, what may not be said of that life which is "hid with Christ in God?"

The New Life.

There are many kinds of new life. For example, that of spring time. Then there is that new life realized when the limitations of child-hood give way to the freedom of man-hood There is newness of life in regaining health; the acquiring of position and power. But these all depend upon circumstances and seasons; whereas my thought in this article is, the new life in Christ. Who has not heard of the trinity of that new life, viz., the renewed mind, the changed heart and the restored soul? These I will use as headlines.

A Renewed Mind.

"The mind's the measure of the man." This is true in the new life. If, therefore, we would be Christ-like and live the "eternal life" here and now, we must have our mind renewed. This is accomplished when the words of Christ become "the wisdom of God" for us in all matters of life and conduct. Christ's thought of duty is the measure of responsibility; His idea of privilege, Mt. Pisgah for that life. In these two respects a great step is taken by that soul whose mind is renewed. Its coming may be sudden or slow; but when it transforms the life, then we know that the mind has been renewed.

From this mount of vantage the soul will begin to see that the view of God and the world determines one's idea of life and death. Christ ignored the latter when He said, "He that believeth on me shall never die." The renewed mind will recognize that such knowledge comes from a correct view of God and therefore accepts Christ's thought of God. Thus is he established in the faith that for God's "new born children" there is no death. A renewed mind, then, is simply the mind of Christ active within the soul. Instead, such an one being "without a mind of his own," he has, what the Apostle considered of great importance, "the mind of Christ." Such a mind is "free" to think and act what it ought.

A Changed Heart.

But the new life is not alone a renewed mind. It must have a heart. The old heart does not love the things of God; so following the renewed mind comes the changing of the heart. This "change" takes place together with the renewing of the mind—they are "born" together. But in speaking of the latter it comes second in point of order.

Now, the heart is changed when things once desired and highly prized

lose their hold upon the affections, and in their place other and different things come in.

A young man was once heard to say, when speaking of the change in his life, "The songs I once loved I now hate; whereas the songs I once ridiculed I now love. The stories I once revelled in I now despise; but that 'old, old story,' which I once trampled under foot, I now hold as dear; for it is the 'word' of life to my soul."

The changed heart seeks new things; new companions, new avenues for life's forces, new and higher motives of conduct. But far above and beyond all these, is the love that pours its ointment upon the head of the new Guest, who has come to abide.

This idea of the changed heart may seem mystical, but 'tis true that within the soul, possessing the new life, there is a presence — all pervading — which leads the heart to do what formerly it did not desire to do. It is a present felt and recognized as from above. The result is a new spirit coming into the heart with such force as to change its desires from low to high, good to better, earth to heaven.

A Restored Soul.

In that Psalm of trust and delight in the LORD (23), the author exclaims "He restoreth my soul." The figure is that of a sheep brought back to the fold—a common occurrence—but noto the delight over being restored. What led the sheep away was the desire for other pasture; but

IN THE COURT OF OLD FORT MARION, ST. AUGUSTINE.
chapel entrance and casemates.

now being restored, it feels like saying "Let us here forever stay."

Thus is it with the soul restored; there is a sense of delight in being near the Shepherd. But restoring the soul means more to it than delight; there is the vantage ground of the Father's desire for His children.

If revelation means anything it is this, that God's children should be superior to their circumstances and stronger than the influences which would work them harm. That most men are not masters in this respect is not a conclusive argument against the thought. But on the other hand the fact that some have overcome with only the vantage ground of an inner life—a new life—is proof that it is possible for him who wills.

My thought is this: The soul, when renewed in mind and heart, can so live in the world as to avoid its friction; overcome its allurements, and win victory where one without this new life would go down. For example: The soul with the purest of thoughts and the best of motives, cannot live in the world without friction at some points. Right here is where the test comes; to resist means sure defeat, and shows weakness. How many become self assertive at that point and lose thereby. They persuade themselves that they are fighting for principle when it is only self. The restored soul resists not evil, but compares the relative value of the thing in dispute and keeps the end of life in view. When things "go wrong" the restored soul is calm and tries again; when the insult is given, the mind turns to Him who was reviled and buffeted for us, "yet he opened not His mouth." In a word, the restored soul is living with the eyes on Jesus and believes that "for those who love God, all things work together for good."

This new life one may have through Christ. It is "What all the world's a-seeking." But instead of seeking for it in Christ, they look for it in stocks and bonds, position, power and circumstances.

The new life comes not by observation. It is not another point of view; but new eyes to see what was hidden.

The new life is not in new circumstances, any more than a spring hat can give youth to a grandmother of 80 summers. Neither is the new life from without—not even from the heavens. But it is within; from the living word, giving a renewed mind, a changed heart and a restored soul.

OLD CITY GATES, ST. AUGUSTINE.

THE OLD CITY BY THE SEA.

A Day in Sixteenth-Century St. Augustine.

We entered St. Augustine at night, when the lights in the towers of the Ponce de Leon, the world-famous hotel, were the most conspicuous objects. We did not stop at the Ponce de Leon. We went to the St. George, not because we liked the name of England's patron saint better than the Spanish name, but the Ponce de Leon's "$5.00 a day and up" was an obstacle.

The Ponce de Leon.

If Juan Ponce de Leon could return to earth and sail up the Matanzas Bay and look upon the place, as he did in 1513, three hundred and eighty years ago, and behold the magnificent structure that bears his name, he would not want to tramp through the swamps and forests of Florida searching for the "Fountain of Youth." There are many old men in Florida to-day seeking the blessings of youth, but they have a more intelligent conception of the nature of the search.

The delicately blue sky, the radiantly brilliant sunsets, and the soft breezes combined to make the region of St. Augustine as delightful as any on the shores of the Mediterranean in old Spain, and Henry M. Flagler's

money put a building here that outrivals the splendors of the beauty palaces of old Spain's best days.

Expert writers have despaired of describing the charm and the beauty of the Ponce de Leon and the adjacent hotels and grounds, and I will not attempt it. We entered through the

"LIGHTNING EXPRESS." PLAZA, ST. AUGUSTINE.

gateway of the court, seen in the accompanying illustration, and found ourselves in the midst of vegetation of tropical luxuriance, with fountains spouting cooling water in midwinter; we ascended the stairs of the grand entrance, stood under the dome supported by marble columns adorned with sylph-like figures, looked upon the paintings representing adventure, discovery, conquest, and civilization; ascended the broad marble stairway to the dining-room and read the inscription in the mosaic floor:

"Whoe'er has traveled life's dull round,
Where'er his stages may have been,
May sigh to think he still has found
The warmest welcome at an inn";

peeped into the spacious and elegant dining-room; walked through the grand parlors, decorated in ivory-white and gold, with frescoes of cupids, and garlands, and filmy drapery amid the clouds. We walked through the gardens and lawns, filled with rare tropical and semi-tropical flowers, vines, shrubs, palms and trees, with ornamental fountains, constantly spouting sparkling sprays of water.

It is indescribably beautiful, and I was told that once the place where all this magnificence is found was a swamp. Money, brains, labor, and a bountiful nature have made the transformation. I thought of the moral deserts and swamps where money could make a like transformation to the glory of God.

About the Old Town.

But it is not this modern elegance that most interests the visitor to St. Augustine. We drove about the town. The plaza is a little park in the center of the town. It is called "Plaza de la Constitution," from a monument erected by the Spaniards in 1813, in honor of a new and more liberal constitution adopted by the Spanish Cortes. There is also a monument, erected in 1872, in memory of dead Confederate soldiers. Two inscriptions are pathetic: "They died far from the home that gave them birth," and "They have crossed the river and rest under the shade of the trees." An old market-house, now used as a lounging-place, is pointed out as a "slave-market," which is understood to be a guide's yarn.

The old St. Joseph Cathedral, completed in 1791, faces the plaza. One of the bells in the Moorish front bears the inscription,

"Sancte Joseph Ora Pro Nobis D 1682."

This is claimed to be one of the oldest bells in the United States. The old sea wall keeps the water of Matanzas Bay from encroaching upon the town at high tide and in a storm. This old Spanish town had to protect itself from the sea as well as from the hostile aborigines and unfriendly nations.

The City Gates.

The most interesting and characteristic relic of bygone days is the city gateway. The town is on a narrow point of land, with the St. Sebastian River on the west and the Matanzas on the east. Across this neck, north of the town, a wall is built. Outside of the wall was a moat, or trench, which was filled with water, access to the town being over a draw-bridge, which was raised at night. Having read the description of the gates, when driving by the place I asked the young colored man who was our driver, "Where is the moat?" He hesitated a moment, and said, "He's oveh in the other cemetery." He had just pointed out to us the "Huguenot Cemetery," which is another yarn told to credulous visitors.

The city gates are perhaps several centuries old. They are built of coquina (pronounced ko-ke-na), a whitish coral-like stone, formed of broken shells and corals, which is obtained on St. Anastasia Island near by. Of this peculiar material all the old walls, the sea wall and the fort, were built, and the walls of the great modern

A CHARACTERISTIC OLD STREET, ST. AUGUSTINE.

hotels are a concrete, of which coquina is the principal ingredient.

A Mediaeval Fortress.

The fortress of San Marco, now Fort Marion, more completely than anything else, takes one out of the present into the romantic and barbarous past, being the only example of mediaeval fortifications on the continent. It is a massive structure of coquina

stone, with bastions, moat, and outworks.

We wandered through the court of the old fort, peered into the dark casemates, or quarters for soldiers, thought of the dungeons within, climbed the stairway, and from the top, looked out upon the water and the old gates and the quaint town, with narrow streets and the towers of the modern structures, while the gentle breezes played about us. Near by, children played upon the grass, the golf players indulged in their modern sport, and groups of people lounged about, a picture of perfect peace, in contrast with the warlike past, as suggested by the grim walls of the fort and the pyramids of cannon-balls. And remember this was on the 29th day of January, mid-winter.

The walls upon which we stood were completed in 1640, after one hundred

A BIT OF SEA WALL AT ST. AUGUSTINE.

and ninety-one years of slave labor and $30,000,000 had been put into them, and they now remain only an interesting relic. I would like to describe the quaint, narrow streets, with the overhanging balconies, but the title-page picture does that better than my pen.

At Old Ocean's Side.

We had a delightful forenoon drive across the draw-bridge over the Matanzas to St. Anastasia Island and along the ocean beach for several miles, watching the tide coming in. It was the bride's first sight of the ocean, and was more fascinating to her than the old town or its magnificent hotels. A good road leads through the swampy part of the island, where mudhens dodged about and the graceful heron waded in the water of the increeping tide. We saw the quarries where great quantities of coquina had been quarried for the buildings in the town.

The St. Augustine Light.

The writer was the only one of the party who ventured to climb the winding stairs, 165 feet, to the top of the St. Augustine light-house, but the magnificent and far-reaching view over sea and land repaid the climb. The St. Augustine light is a fixed white light, with a flash every three minutes, and is visible nearly twenty miles. The attendant showed me the powerful lenses, which are made to revolve by clockwork, and which cause the flash. This three-minute flash distinguishes it from other lights, as the Cape Canaveral light, next south, which flashes every minute.

The Founding of St. Augustine.

The Matanzas Bay has its name from a tragic incident of the early Spanish days. The name is from the Spanish word matanza, signifying slaughter, and commemorates the massacre of the Huguenots, in 1565, at a point twelve miles south. The liberty-seeking Protestant Frenchmen left their homes in France to seek a refuge in the new world and settled on the St. John's River, about 1564. It is said that many of them were disorderly and lawless. The Spanish King Philip, a zealous Roman Catholic, resolved to suffer no Protestant colony to settle on the territory claimed by Spain, and sent out Menendez to destroy it. He laid the foundation of St. Augustine in 1565, and then proceeded to destroy the French settlement. Some of the French escaped in vessels, and when Menendez found the French fleet wrecked south of St. Augustine, by false promises he persuaded them to surrender, blindfolded them, led them behind the sand hills, and put them to death. The bodies of some of them he is said to have hung to the limbs of trees, with a placard which read, "I do this, not as to Frenchmen, but to Huguenots."

The avenging of this atrocity by De Gourges is an interesting chapter. Imitating Menendez, he suspended the bodies of the victims, with this placard, "I do this, not as to Spaniards, but to traitors, robbers and assassins."

Thus St. Augustine was founded in 1565, forty years before Jamestown, and fifty-five years before the landing of the Pilgrims.

The town was burned by the English in 1586, and again in 1665, and only its strong fortress and walls saved it from a like fate on subsequent occasions. In her three hundred and thirty-five years' history the flags of three nations have floated above her citadel, and she has seen much of war and bloodshed.

We came away from our oldest town, wishing that we might spend many days there, but rejoicing that we lived in times of peace.

The train was filled with dust-covered tourists, who had made the all-day journey from points farther down the East Coast, many of whom were carrying with them pine-apples and other tropical fruits and plants, as evidences of their having been in Florida.

Did we see any alligators? Hundreds of them—in the tanks of the dealers, who will sell you baby alligators for twenty-five cents.

MAIN STREET, HARTFORD IN 1865.

A few months ago the Review published a picture of Main street, as it appeared at the close of the Civil War, looking south from Talcott to Asylum street, with the names of the merchants and business houses.

In this issue appears a view of Main street looking south from Asylum street, also taken soon after the war.

In the foreground will be seen one of the "bobtail" horse cars, which gave half-hourly service on Main street, this railway having been in existence but two or three years.

On the left is shown several public carriages, the Hartford Trust Company block, and other buildings, with the spire of St. John's Church in the distance.

The old mansion of Hon. Isaac Toucey stood on the corner of Athaenaeum street, where afterward the Charter Oak Life Insurance building was erected, now the Aetna Life Insurance building.

On the right of the picture is seen a barber's pole, which stood in front of the shop of William T. Bassett, which was in the basement of the Catlin building.

On the south corner of Asylum

street was the book store of Brown and Gross, who succeeded Brown and Parsons, and F. A. Brown. Then came George P. Bissell & Co., bankers; J. W. Bunce, hats and caps, where for so many years Charles P. Welles had carried on the druggist business. On the second floor Dr. C. A. Taft had his offices for a long period.

The old Phoenix Bank building was next, several feet back from the street line, as seen in the picture, semi-circular stone steps, with iron railings leading to the entrance from either side. In the north wing James Daniels conducted the business of hats and caps for a score of years, and at this time the fruit store of F. A. Brewer & Co. was located in the south wing, where previously Thomas Winship and J. Delliber had carried on the boot and shoe trade for a quarter of a century. Just below was the State Bank, where George F. Hills, the present president, was then teller. The next building was that of the Hartford Fire Insurance Company. The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company occupied the second story, where it had been located from its organiation in 1846.

In the Union Hall building, on the north corner of Pearl street, was the successor of Horace Goodwin, jewelry store; the American Union Telegraph office (J. W. Stancliff manager and G. B. Hubbell assistant manager); L. Barker & Co., music, and James Smith, tailor. Up stairs were various occupants, one of them General J. D. Williams, broker, who was formerly adjutant-general of Connecticut.

On the south corner of Main and Pearl streets was the firm of Kelsey, Carpenter and Hitchcock, merchant tailors; and further south, in this order, were John H. Goodwin & Co., boots and shoes; C. H. Smith & Co., dry goods; Marcy & Haynes, boots and shoes; Bolles & Roberts, looking glass and picture store; W. J. Hamersley, books; and Sisson & Butler, wholesale drugs. Next south was the old wooden dwelling of James B. Hosmer, with the big elm tree in the middle of the walk, as seen in the picture.

The Mercantile Bank was located near where P. & J. Besse now are, S. P. Kendall & Co., crockery, under the Center Church lecture room, and south of the Center Church were the old buildings, recently torn down for Gold street improvements, and beyond them the City Hotel building.

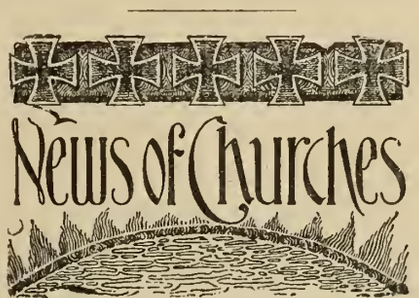
Beginning at Central row, on the east side of Main street, was the Hungerford and Cone, now Hartford Trust Company block, the stores being occupied by Hemingway & Stevens, jewelers; J. H. Whitmore's barber shop in basement; Essman & Haas, cigars and tobacco; Hurlburt's book store; Isaac Glazier, picture and art store, and W. L. Matson, banker.

In the wooden building, now standing, were H. W. Conklin's furnishing store and William B. Smith, merchant tailor. Beyond them were the Hartford County Bank, Charles G. Geer, books and stationery; the post office, and McNary, the druggist, where the Times office is to-day. Saunders, the tailor, and the Hartford Times office were on the second floor.

On the south corner of Grove street was the Putnam Fire Insurance Company, the Ezra Clark house, and the Universalist Church. The residence of H. W. Conklin is now occupied by the Republican Club, the house occupied by C. C. Waite standing just below, and a brick building partly occupied by the Morning Post, a Democratic paper; stood north of the Toucey house.

The names of some merchants have been forgotten in this hasty sketch, which was written by an old merchant of this city, at the request of the editors of the Church Review, to show the changes that have taken place in the business center during thirty-five years.

Although the Phoenix and State Banks are in the same locations and several who are connected with them, at the present time, have been there during all these years, and Goodwin's shoe store, too, still remains in the same location, yet but one store has remained without any change in its outward appearance, that of T. Sisson & Co., with which Mr. Thomas Sisson has been connected for fifty-nine years.



UNITY CHURCH.

On February 23 a social was held in the parlors of the church. The chief entertainment of the evening was a spelling match, in which Miss Florence Kellogg and Mr. Charles Risley came off victorious. After the spelling match light refreshments were served.

On March 1st the regular Sunday school social was held. The entertainment consisted of tableaux and recitations.

On March 14th a minstrel entertainment was given in the lower hall by the choir, under Mr. Wentworth's direction, assisted by Mr. W. J. Carroll of Trinity Church, Mr. E. L. Couch of the Park Church choir, and several young people from Miss Rearden's class.

On March 27, the annual meeting of the Sunday school was held. Reports were read and the following officers chosen: Supt, Mrs. J. Q. Baker; sec'y, E. M. Cutting; treas, W. F. Young; librarian, F. M. Mather; chorister, D. F. Wentworth. The reports showed that the Sunday school has never been in as prosperous condition as at the present time.

On March 29 Mr. Waite held a reception in the parlors of the church, which was largely attended.

The annual meeting of the society was held in the parlors of the church April 1. The reports read were very satisfactory, showing the church to be in a prosperous condition in every way. The following officers and committees were elected. Pres., W. E. Dickinson; vice pres., C. D. Francis; clerk, E. M. Cutting; treas., F. M. Mather; auditors, W. F. Young, W. T. Halliday; society committee, William Francis, J. Q. Baker, W. H. Honiss; hospitality committee, W. H. Honiss, Mrs. K. C. Husband, Miss M. F. Rearden; charity committee, Mrs. Joseph Waite, Mrs. E. S. Walker, Mrs. C. M. Honiss; Sunday school committee, Mrs. L. C. Baker, H. W. Horton, Mrs. H. K. Root; music committee, Theodore Colston, Mrs. K. C. Husband, F. M. Mather; church and hall committee, L. H. Robertson, Mrs. Elizabeth Warner, Mrs. C. B. Carroll.

The April Sunday school social was held on the 5th of that month. Supper was served at six.

Mr. Waite's course of sermons on evolution have been very interesting and instructive and have attracted large audiences every Sunday. On Easter Sunday his subject, "The Unseen Creation," was a strong argument for the immortality of the soul from a scientific standpoint. On April 14th his subject was "The Birth of Consciousness," being the twelfth in the series.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER.

The annual convention of the Young People's Christian Union of Connecticut was held in Stamford April 12-13. A devotional meeting was held in the afternoon of the 12th and in the evening a banquet. Saturday morning, the 13th the regular business session was held. About fifteen went down from Hartford and report a very successful convention as well as a very pleasant time.

On Thursday evening, April 18th, the Ladies' Benevolent Societies of the church gave an entertainment, "Past and Present," consisting of pantomime, monologue and tableaux.

MEMORIAL BAPTIST.

March 27 an entertainment was given at the church under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society. The program consisted of music and recitations and also a Japanese fan drill by a number of young ladies.

A Sunday school concert was given on the evening of Easter Sunday. It was very well attended in spite of the rainy weather.

The annual meeting of the church and election of officers was held on April 5 We begin the church year free from debt. The meeting was continued on the next Thursday evening by a roll-call of the members and reports from all departments of the church work.

OLIVET BAPTIST.

On Easter morning Masters Louis H. Graves and Cherry Robinson united with the church by baptism.

In the evening our Sunday school gave a concert followed by the Lord's supper.

There has been a very good interest manifested in the work of the Sunday school, and we hope that through it we may accomplish greater results for Christ.

ST. THOMAS EPISCOPAL.

Wednesday evening, March 13, Mr. E. S. Woods, the sculptor, gave a very interesting "Clay Talk" and illustrated the talk with some very clever modeling, explaining much of interest connected with the sculptor's art, the whole being both entertaining and instructive to the audience, all of whom were much pleased. The entertainment was given upder the auspices of the Young People's Club and netted a good sum.

Notwithstanding the unpleasant weather on Easter Sunday, all the services were well attended, and en tered into heartily by the large congregations. The church was very prettily decorated with flowers, the music was bright and all seemed bent upon making a bright and cheery atmosphere inside the church if it was dismal ontside. The offerings were very generous. At the Sunday school service at 4 o'clock a "Gospel Ship" was used as an object lesson, which was of much interest to both grown people and children. It was a three-master, fourteen feet long, in which each class took part in rigging the sails, flags, anchors, etc., there being a motto and Scripture text for each class, all being explained by the rector. The school is indebted to Mr. Woods for this beautiful piece of work.

Wednesday, April 10th, the ladies of the Guild held their annual Easter sale and supper in the Parish House, afternoon and evening. It was well attended, and very successful.

The Young People's Club are rehearsing two farce comedies, "Frank Wilde," and "A Rank Deception," to be given May 1 and 2, under the direction of Mr. H. Grant Bailey.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN.

We have had the pleasure of listening to two of our former pastors this month, Rev. W. O. Higley preached for us in exchange with our pastor, and Rev. D. T. Call was with us Tuesday evening, April 9th.

An interesting mission convention was held in this church April 9th and 10th, some half dozen ministers from Boston, Springfield and various places being present.

April 14th the father of our pastor, Rev. George L. Teeple, occupied the pulpit and gave us two interesting sermons.

WETHERSFIELD BAPTIST.

Our pastor, Rev. Mr. Elsdon, was able last Sabbath to go into the pulpit and preach a short sermon after an illness of nearly nine months.

The church and Sabbath school are being conducted in their usual way, a few faithful ones bearing their burdens cheerfully.

NEWINGTON CONGREGATIONAL.

The Lord's supper was celebrated on Fast day evening.

Mrs. Macy, chairman of the Flower committee of the C. E., decorated the church on Easter Sunday in a pleasing manner. Ferns, palms, Easter lilies and daffodils were effectively arranged. A large bouquet of yellow and white pinks stood on the altar table. In the evening the children took part in an exercise named "The Risen Lord."

Our pastor met the ladies in the chapel on Wednesday, April 10 and discussed plans for reaching and aiding the young people and also how to create greater sociability among the people.

The social of the Christian Endeavor Society was held at the parsonage April 10. A musical and literary programme was enjoyed, also light refreshments.

On Friday, Rev. Macy talked to the young people on confessing Christ and uniting with the church.

Mr. S. F. Raymond of Hartford has been engaged to play the church organ for an indefinite period.

Mr. James Roberts addressed the congregation on Tuesday evening, April 16.

FOURTH CONGREGATIONAL.

Music has been prominent for the past few weeks. The first musical service since the reorganization of the choir was held the second Sunday in March and was very successful. Easter Sunday evening the junior choir furnished most of the music..

Easter flowers were provided by the Christian Endeavor Society, Miss Flora Gauthier having charge of decoration. The lilies were distributed later by Miss F. Cooley.

Mr. Oscar A. Phelps of Warburton Chapel gave an interesting address at the monthly teachers' meeting on April 8.

The Boys' Club entertained their friends on Wednesday, March 29.

NEW BRITAIN AVENUE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

A musical was given by the choir in observance of Missionary Sunday, March 31st.

Easter Sunday the annual Easter concert was given by the Sunday school, when a most entertaining program was carried out, consisting of recitations and vocal and instrumental music with remarks by C. M. Woodman of the Theological Seminary. The Washington Street School Orchestra assisted. In the evening Rev. S. B. Forbes, recently of the Wethersfield Avenue Congregational Church, preached. A special musical program was rendered.

Among the preachers we have listened to the last month were Mr. Fisher of the Seminary, Mr. Miller of the Open Hearth, Mr. Forbes and on Sunday, the 14th, Henry S. Redfield of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mr. Miller's stereopticon pictures were much enjoyed on the evening of the 9th in the chapel.

April 26 the Ladies' Aid will meet at Mrs. Joslyn's Ellsworth street.

WETHERSFIELD AVENUE CONGREGATIONAL.

The Sunday school is increasing in attendance—our attendance for last Sunday, being next to the largest on record. Miss Mary Noble's class gave a special collection of $1.15 for the benefit of the library.

Special services for Easter were held. A concert for the children in the evening was conducted quite largely by the children and was very interesting. Our chorister, Mr. Riga, deserves great credit for the way the singing was carried out.

The Y. M. C. A. gave an entertainment in the church parlors that was a decided success. We have the prom-

ise of another in the near future.

Mr. Barnes has furnished a record for the Sunday school that is expected to cause new interest to the scholars, and help attendance and collections.

The missionary committee of the Endeavorers are collecting papers and expect to send a barrel to the sailors.

FIRST METHODIST.

Mr. C. N. Knox, Jr., our regular correspondent, has been critically ill with pneumonia in Jacksonville, Florida.

On March 29th was held a group meeting of the Epworth Leagues of Hartford and vicinity in the church. Afternoon and evening sessions were held. Rev. H. I. Thayer is chairman of the group. In the afternoon session papers were read and discussions on department work held. On the evening there was an address by Rev. Mr. Hodgetts. His subject was "The Relation of the League to the New Convert."

During the past week the pastor, Dr. Blake, represented the chapter at a banquet in honor of General Secretary Joseph F. Berry, in Brooklyn.

SOUTH CONGREGATIONAL, EAST HARTFORD.

Our pastor, Mr. Bacheler, and wife, are spending a two weeks' vacation in Maine at the home of Mr. Bacheler's brother.

The Rev. Mr. Bliss, who has taken up his residence among us, occupied the pulpit Sunday, and his address was enjoyed by all. He also had charge of the Thursday evening prayer meeting.

The Ladies' Aid Society are making extensive preparations for a bazar to be held at the church in the near future.

Notwithstanding the threatening weather, our church was well filled to hear the Easter exercises. The little folks were very entertaining and each one took their part without a failure.

Our annual Christian Endeavor election was held last week, the following officers being elected: Pres., Frank Ensign; vice-pres., Clarence Forbes; treas., Vincent Brown; sec., Miss Edith Hall; cor. sec., Miss Eva Martin.

FIRST BAPTIST.

Sunday, April 7th, the Washington Comandery members and Knights Templar were present in a body at the evening service, and participated in it.

The annual election of officers and business meeting of the Young People's Association was held on March 19 in the chapel of the church.

After the usual reports of the secretary and treasurer, and the several chairmen of committees, the annual election of officers for the ensuing year took place.

The result is as follows: Pres., George B. Utley; vice-pres., E. Lewis Upton; second vice-pres., Miss Alice Watson; sec., Cassius Barstow; asst., sec., Miss Leda Prindle; treas., Erle Rogers; auditors, Arthur E. Guilford and Howard L. Crosby. Committees: Devotional, William H. Sloane; missionary, Guy E. Beardsley; finance, Frederick S. Chapman; membership, Miss Mary Watson; welcoming, Erle Rogers; decoration, Mrs. Traganza; visiting, Miss Cora B. Smith.

No better custom has been inaugurated the past few years than that of the union services on Fast day or Good Friday. This year services were held in our church, Rev. H. M. Thompson preaching the sermon and the other pastors officiating.

The choir year begins April first. Mr. Minor, who has been our tenor for two years, has accepted a position in Springfield and his place will be filled by Mr. Charles D. Crocker. Mr. Crocker is an experienced singer and is well known personally, to many in the church and congregation.

Miss Crosby our alto, who has also been with us two years, had arranged to remain another year, but two weeks ago having received an offer from the South Congregational Church in New Britain she requested to have her engagement here cancelled. She will sing through April, as the year in New Britain begins May first. Her successor has not yet been decided upon.

BLUE HILLS AVENUE MISSION.

Because of increasing demands upon their time, in this the last year of their seminary work, Mr. Marsh and Mr. Beecher has been compelled to give into the hands of Mr. Hawkes and Mr. Gaylord the work here. During the past year the work has been signally blessed. Those who listened to Mr. Marsh's last sermon will long remember his appeal for earnestness and decision in purpose and life.

Mr. Beecher has conducted a mission study class that has proven both helpful and interesting. The preaching service, C. E. Society and Sunday school is each more than holding its own. Mr. Mills' help in the latter is much appreciated.

Despite the rain of Easter Sunday the concert given by the children was well attended.

The singing this year was under Mrs. Fanning's direction and did credit to the interest and enthusiasm which she showed in the preparation.

GLENWOOD CONGREGATIONAL.

At the semi-annual meeting of the Christian Endeavor Society the following officers were elected: Miss Reed, pres.; Mrs. MacGeehon, vice-pres.; Mr. Hastings, sec. and treas.

The 'Labor Song" entertainment given by the Christian Endeavor Society proved quite successful.

We were very sorry to learn of the illness of Miss May Vinton, and also Master Willie Gray. We trust that they will speedily recover, and we will see them out soon.

The Christian Endeavor Society held their meeting, Sunday, April 7th, at 9.45 a. m.

We were pleased to see Mr. and Mrs. Phipps on Easter Sunday.

The Ladies' Society had an oyster supper Wednesday evening, April 10th, a large number attending. During the evening music and games were enjoyed.

The Easter concert was held at 4 p. m. Easter Sunday at which time the children proved themselves very valuable, as the verses spoken and the songs sung were very well rendered.

Miss Mary Penro is to give a violin recital by her pupils in our church on the evening of May 3d.

Sunday, April 14th being missionary Sunday, we had the pleasure of listening to Rev. Mr. White of Montana.

On Friday evening, April 26th Hartford Union Christian Endeavor will hold its meeting in the Fourth Church. There will be some very able speakers on some important subjects. All are invited.

SUFFIELD STREET CHAPEL.

The Easter exercises were a decided success, including the cantata, "Death and Life," by Shelley, music by the primary department and the young ladies, as well as two very interesting addresses, one by Rev. McGee Pratt, the other by Rev. Mr. Potter of Center Church.

The attendance of our Sunday school for the past quarter of this year, has averaged about 113, which shows better than last year. We trust this will continue.

The Physical Culture class will give the exhibition of their work under charge of Mr. Velte, Wednesday evening, April 17th. It is hoped that it will be a great success, as the proceeds will be given to the chapel.

The Y. P. S. C. E. have allowed the flower committee a small sum per week to supply the desk until field flowers can be secured, and the bright flowers are very cheerful, and afterwards help to make some sick member happy.

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Editorial.

A FAMOUS HYMN.

Early in 1887 the editors of "The Sunday at Home," invited their readers to send lists of the hundred English hymns which stood highest in their esteem. Nearly 3500 persons responded to the invitation; and by the majority of votes, "Rock of Ages" headed the list. The three next in order were "Abide with me," "Jesus, Lover of my soul," and "Just as I am."

The author of "Rock of Ages" was Augustus Montague Toplady, a Calvinist vicar of a Devonshire parish. He spent the best part of his time and energy, not in writing hymns, but in the composition of controversial pamphlets, upon which he prided himself not a little. It is said that the hymn which has outlived all his other works, and has made him famous throughout Christendom, was inspired in a spirit of controversy, and aimed particularly at the followers of Wesley, who were then laying much stress upon the subject of Sanctification. But whatever the motive, the author created one of the most helpful and popular hymns in the English language. He did not live to realize the importance of this particular piece of work, for he survived its publication only two years, dying when but thirty-eight. It is probable that he considered his voluminous controversial writings his best legacy to posterity, but while these have happily long since been forgotten, the four stanzas of "Rock of Ages" still continue to help and sustain the followers of Christ. Surely of Toplady it may be said that "he builded better than he knew."

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Rock of ages cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in thee!
Let the water and the blood,
From Thy riven side which flowed,
Be of sin a double cure,
Cleanse me from its guilt and power.

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TORONTO SALOONS.

Mr. T. P. Phelan, a prominent business man of Toronto, Canada, who is visiting Washington, recently told how much better the liquor traffic in Toronto is controlled there than in most American cities. He said of Toronto's regulations relating to that traffic: "We limit the number of licenses to saloons to 150, where Buffalo, a somewhat larger city, has 2,000. The owners of our new $2,000,000 hotel, for which the contracts have been let, and which is to be the finest hostelry in the Dominion, must go into the market to get a liquor license for their bar. It will probably cost them $5,000. Our saloons are compelled to close at 11 o'clock at night and on Saturdays at 7 o'clock, so that workingmen may not have the opportunity to squander all their week's wages." Suppose that Saturday night regulation could be put into effect in the cities of the United States? It would mean not only that thousands of poor families would get the necessities they now go without, because the money that might have bought them was spent, after being received as wages, with the saloon keeper, but it would mean the driving of a large number of saloon keepers out of business, as it is well known that many would cease to be profitable if compelled to give up the Saturday night business. This idea of Saturday night closing is good enough to be taken up and agitated in this country, as next in importance to absolute prohibition comes proper regulation of the liquor traffic, besides, it is much easier to be had.

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Never shall my hand or voice be lifted against so called temperance fanatics. If ever a case justified fanaticism, the temperance cause does. To me there is nothing more disgusting or more disheartening to the cause of humanity than the selfish, ease-loving luxurious man indulging in dissipation and denouncing temperance fanatics.—Phillips Brooks.

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GEN. JOHN A. LOGAN.

President McKinley's short address at the unveiling of the equestrian statue of Gen. John A. Logan was a model of its kind. The gem of the President's address was his closing remarks, which follow: "The highest eulogy ever paid him (Logan) was by his father. The latter in his will divided his property between his widow and his children equally, except—and I quote from the will—'John Alexander, whose marked abilities are such that he can provide for himself and aid his mother, if necessary. This provision is not made from want of affection, but because of unbounded confidence in his future success.' What a remarkable tribute from father to son! That expression of faith was enough to quicken the young man's noblest aspirations and call out the best that was in him. And how worthily he vindicated the confidence. To have inherited, to have deserved, and to have fulfilled that commendation from his father's love and faith, was better than any inheritance of lands and tenements, stocks, bonds, and money. Beloved of father, wife, and children, his whole life realized his father's prophecy and its words would adorn any monument to his fame."

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"WHAT HA' YE DONE?"

And they came to the gate within the wall, where Peter holds the keys,
"Stand up, stand up, now, Tomlinson, and answer loud and high
The good that ye did for the sake of men or ever ye came to die—
The good that ye did for the sake of men in little earth so lone!"
And the naked soul of Tomlinson grew white as a rain-washed bone.

"This I have read in a book," he said, "and that was told to me,
And this I have thought that another man thought of a prince in Muscovy"—
And Peter twirled the jangling keys in weariness and wrath.
"Ye have read, ye have heard, ye have thought," he said, "and the tale is yet to run:
By the worth of the body that once ye had, give answer—what ha' ye done?"

—Rudyard Kipling.

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Congratulations to the pastors of our four Methodist churches, and congratulations to the four congregations

as well. For we assume that Hartford has proved such an agreeable residence, and Hartford Methodists such an agreeable and congenial class of people, that the four Methodist pastors will feel that congratulations to them are quite in order. And on the other hand, we know that, as it is an easy matter to dissolve relations between pastor and people among our Methodist brethren, and as in each of these four cases there has been an effectual protest against any such dissolution, it shows that the congregations are well satisfied, too, and so we congratulate them.

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The Congregationalist has changed hands, and will hereafter be owned and published by the Congregational Sunday School and Publishing Society. We are glad to have it stated officially by the editors of the paper that their subscription list has not been so large for twenty-five years as at present. The paper certainly was never more ably edited or commanded a larger number of eminent contributors.

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Here is a good suggestion from a Christian Endeavor topic card, "Never sit behind an empty seat."

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"Promote peace," is said to have been the parting injunction of the dying queen to her son, now Edward VII. of England, and to her grandson, the Emperor of Germany. There is no doubt but that her last days were greatly saddened by the war in South Africa, for all through her reign it has been her own policy to promote peace, and it has been the victories of peace, rather than those of war, which have made her reign illustrious. It is to be hoped that the queen's parting injunction may have been as reported, and that the sovereigns of England and Germany may hereafter lend their powerful influence to "promote peace."

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A correspondent has called attention to an omission in "The Rhyming Sovereigns," which appeared in our February number, also suggesting a different ending. We are glad to publish the lines again, corrected and altered as suggested:

THE "RHYMING SOVEREIGNS" OF ENGLAND.

First William the Norman, then William his son;
Henry, Stephen and Henry, then Richard and John;
Next Henry the Third, Edwards, One Two and Three,
And again after Richard three Henrys we see.
Two Edwards, third Richard if I rightly guess.
Two Henrys, Sixth Edward, Queen Mary, Queen Bess.
Next Jamie of Scotland, then Charles, whom they slew,
Yet received after Cromwell another Charles, too.
Next James the Second ascended the throne,
Then good William and Mary together came on.
Queen Anne, four Georges, fourth William, all passed.
Victoria, seventh Edward, May he long be the last.

Another correspondent has suggested that a list of our Presidents be given. Here is a chance for some of our rhymsters to compose "The Rhyming Presidents."

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Love would put a new face on this weary old world in which we dwell as pagans and enemies too long; and it will warm the heart to see how fast the vain diplomacy of statesmen, the impotence of armies and navies and lines of defense would be superseded by this unarmed child. But one day all mankind will be lovers, and every calamity will be dissolved in this universal sunshine.—Emerson.

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BUSINESS AND PLEASURE.

Mrs. Newlywed—You needn't have bothered to bring this butter up to the house this morning.

Grocer—No bother at all, ma'am.

Mrs. Newlywed—But it could have come alone.—Ohio State Journal.

Mr. W. E. Wallace, the nurseryman, has issued a very attractive catalogue of interest to every planter and lover of flowers. It is very attractively illustrated by photos from actual specimens raised by Mr. Wallace or his patrons, the collection of roses being remarkably fine. This catalogue can be obtained free by calling at the West Hartford nursery, 785 Farmington avenue, or it will be sent by mail upon application. Besides the numerous varieties of roses, which are fully described as well as illustrated, the catalogue contains descriptions of hardy ornamental trees, evergreen trees and shrubs, hardy flowering shrubs, climbing plants and hardy perennial plants. Mr. Wallace also carries a large stock of carefully selected fruit trees.

The nursery is easily reached by West Hartford cars, and every facility is afforded for a careful personal examination of the stock. All orders are promptly delivered, and where required, competent men are furnished to do the planting.

Edition de Sucre.—"What a beautiful volume of Emerson's Essays you have, Miss Madge!" "Yes, isn't it lovely? It's a candy-box."

RATHBUN'S QUOTATIONS.

"You will be gone a long time when you go for good."

"Many rich men—so-called—if they should die this week would leave nothing for their families but their Life Insurance."

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"If Tennyson had lived in my suburb," said paterfamilias the other night, as he sat with his check-book before him, ruefully contemplating his gas bill, "he would never have written, 'Honor the Light Brigade; honor the charge they made'; but perhaps gas companies had consciences in his day."

Messrs. Willis & Wilson are offering a waterproof overcoat especially adapted for spring and summer wear on account of its light weight. It is all wool, but is rendered waterproof by a special process.

"What do you think of a woman who persists in lavishing her affections on a pet poodle?"

"I think such a woman has no consideration for the dog's feelings."—Ohio State Journal.

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

HARTFORD UNION NOTES.

The April meeting of the union will be held with the C. E. Society of the Fourth Congregational Church on Friday evening, April 26th, at 7.45 p. m. It is expected that Rev. Allyn K. Foster of New Haven, the state president of the Union will make the main address in connection with Rev. T. M. Hodgdon of the West Hartford Congregational and Frank H. Bosson of the Fourth Church. The theme will be handled as follows:

"Twenty Years C. E. and Twentieth Century Christian Endeavor Societies."

"Twentieth Century Churches."

"Twentieth Century Citizenship."

We cannot afford to miss this opportunity to hear these good topics by able speakers.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS.

(From the Presbyterian C. E. Manual.)

April 21—Walking with Jesus—Col. 2: 6, 7; Gal. 5; 16-26.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

A good companion makes an easy way.

When our life with Christ's is identified, then our love for Christ is intensified.

Our Companion is our guide.

The simple secret of not wandering is in keeping close to Christ.

We are not only to walk with Christ, but also in Christ.

The abiding life is the abounding life.

A life is fragmentary until made complete in Christ.

April 28—Fidelity to Pledges—"I Promse"—Ps. 65: 1-4; 61: 1-8; 118: 12-14.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

Every promise presupposes performance.

All power is pledged to help us keep our pledge.

Because we trust, we try.

Faithfulness is a proof of faith.

Because our promise is to God we expect help from God.

We promise much because we love much.

We daily make great pledges to men; why not greater ones to God?

May 5—Decision of character—Rev. 3: 14-16; Prov. 4: 23-27.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

Strong characters all have strong convictions.

Better be hated for enmity than despised for lukewarmness.

The vacillating are vanquished.

Weakness of will always works woe.

We must be strong in ourself before we can be strong for Christ.

He who fears unpopularity is not feared by Satan.

Decide for Christ and then be decided against sin.

May 12—Practice Christianity—1 John 3: 14-18.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

The proof of our new life is our practice of new love.

We may know that we are alive in Christ if we love all of Christ's.

Fellowship with all saints is a sign of fidelity to the Saviour.

Love is the supreme law of the new life.

God's will is man's weal.

Our works are plumb lines for our words.

Lip love is easy; heart love keeps hands and feet busy.

ADDITIONAL CHURCHES.

ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL.

The Monday after Easter about forty Sunday school children had a trolley ride to visit the Home for Incurables at Newington.

Tuesday, the 9th, the Guild of St. Mary gave an entertainment in the afternoon. The Girls' Friendly society held theirs in the evening, with games, etc.

The tableaux at Ives' Hall, the 16th, provided unusual attractions. It will be repeated.

MORGAN STREET SUNDAY SCHOOL

Teachers' meetings are held regularly on Saturday evening at the City Mission building and are conducted by members of the junior class of the Theological Seminary.

Easter day witnessed a large attendance at the school and the pupils were presented with potted plants, which seemed to delight them greatly. Mr. C. O. Craudis of the seminary addressed the school.

Some additions have been made to the teaching force.

Mrs. Adams, who is detained by illness, is much missed by both teachers and pupils.

TRINITY CHURCH.

The Lenten season just ended was a very profitable one in this parish, both to the individual spiritually, and to the parish generally as regards the work done and the zeal with which it was undertaken.

The ladies have completed a box of clothing for the Indians in Oklahoma, to which were added the results of the Children's Missionary League.

A barrel of second hand clothing was also collected and forwarded to Mrs. Hunter of St. Augustine's school, Raleigh, N. C., where instead of being given away, it is sold for a small sum, for the sake of the moral effect.

Easter morning dawned not with the weather we could have desired, but the joy of the occasion was great enough to bring a large number to the early carol service at 6.30 a. m., at which 130 persons received the Holy Communion.

This was followed by the regular service at 10.45 at which a large congregation was present.

The Sunday school festival service at 3 p. m. was a pretty sight, with the long processional from the chapel, with banners carried by the classes of high standing during Lent.

As they passed the chancel, each scholar presented a small nosegay of flowers, which quickly transformed a large, rough wooden cross of our own making into a beautiful floral piece which was afterwards sent down to the Open Hearth Mission, where Mr. Miller distributed the flowers after their service.

The children at this service presented their "pyramids" which made an offering of $167.00, which with their offerings during Lent will make over $225.00 to send to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.

The day was brought to a fitting consecration at the evening service, when Bishop Brewster preached and confirmed a class of forty persons.

The offerings for the day for parish expenses amounted to over $1,100.00.

Easter Monday evening was held the annual parish meeting at which officers were elected as follows: Wardens, Col. Jacob L. Greene, Mr. George E. Hatch; vestrymen, Dr. G. S. Davis, Mr. L. H. Clarke, Mr. P. C. Royce, Mr. C. B. Ingraham, Mr. Henry E. Rees, Mr. L. V. Waldo Marvin, Mr. E. B. Hatch; clerk, Mr.

Frank E. Johnson; treas., Dr. G. P. Davis. In addition to the treasurer's report, a report was read of the missionary offerings, which showed that over $2,000 had gone for benevolences.

A report of the Sunday school prepared by Mr. H. E. Rees, was read by the rector, which showed the school to be in a very flourishing condition.

WETHERSFIELD METHODIST.

The church realized fifty dollars from the musical March 28, at which Miss Preston sang.

April 14th being Conference Sunday, evangelistic services were held both morning and evening.

Our pastor will be absent about a week to attend Conference.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Easter day was observed in the church by three services. The early morning carol service was at 6.30. This service was usually the largest attended of the day. But the Easter of 1901 was ushered in with a heavy rain storm, and only a small number attended.

Wyllys street was flooded at its lowest level by surface water and people were cut off from that approach to the church and had to go around to Charter Oak street..

The rector was assisted in the service by Rev. Mr. Hoskins.

The Sunday school festival at 4 o'clock concluded the services for the day. The rector was assisted by Mr. Brenton. Carols were sung by the Sunday school assisted by the choir. The primary class sang a carol very nicely. Baptism of children followed. Four children being baptized. The rector made an address, "The Children's Easter." The offertory of pyramids was taken. This was the Lenten offering for foreign missions. Awards were given to the scholars for attendance and good lessons. The presentation of Easter plants followed, each scholar receiving a potted plant.

A minstrel entertainment was given at Memorial Hall Tuesday evening, April 9, by the "Colored Four Hundred." It was for the benefit of the cot fund and a goodly sum was added to the fund from the proceeds. The company included some members of the church assisted by other gentlemen.

At the regular service of the church Friday evening, April 12, seven young men were initiated into the Brotherhood of St. Andrew.

The last meeting of the Men's League will be held Thursday, April 25, at Memorial Hall. It is intended to make this a social meeting for all members of the parish as well as league members. An address will be given and a musical program has been arranged. Refreshments will be served by the Daughters of the King and Girls' Friendly Society. These meetings have been very pleasant and it is hoped to make this one especially so.

WEST HARTFORD CONGREGATIONAL.

At the communion service on the first Sunday in March it was our privilege as a church to receive into fellowship on confession of faith, two of our young business men and five members of other churches by letter.

The Rev. Henry B. Roberts of the Connecticut Bible Society and a former pastor of our church preached at both services Sunday, March 10.

The Men's Union held a meeting of much interest at the chapel, Friday evening, March 15. The feature of the evening was an illustrated address upon "Manual Training" by Professor Howe, instructor at the Hartford High School.

The union work of the churches in holding neighborhood prayer meetings proved very successful. It has been decided to continue the work which will hereafter include cottage prayer meetings.

A union missionary service was held Sunday evening, March 17, in place of the regular C. E. meeting. "India" was the subject.

The communion service, which was held in the church the evening before Fast day ,was a beautiful and impressive one. At that time nine new members were received into the church.

Organist Fred S. Smith prepared an exceptionally good program of music for Easter Sunday. The chief feature was a cantata, "The Risen King," which was rendered by the choir in a most efficient manner.

SOUTH BAPTIST.

The announcement of especial interest for this month is that of the thirtieth annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, which holds its sessions in the South Baptist Church from April 23 to 25 inclusive. It is expected that at least 120 delegates and secretaries will be present, and the meetings are being looked forward to with a great deal of interest.

The young people of the Memorial Baptist Christian Endeavor Society have united with the South Baptist Christian Endeavor Society in their hospital services, which are held at 3.15 p. m. Sundays, unless too serious cases in the wards prevent.. We wish the attendance was much larger. Any young people from other Christian Endeavor Societies will be made welcome.

Have all of the Bible schools "Home Departments?" We think every school should have, as many are reached in this way that would not be in any other, along this line. Our Home Department is quite a large one, having about forty members. Each member has his own envelope for collection and marking the study of the lesson.

The Sunday noon Bible class of men is meeting with good success led by different theological students. This class draws in men that perhaps would not be interested in other lines of work.

The May Woman's Home Companion will contain a short story by Lillian Bell, which is based upon the amusing experiences of a family in attempting to deal with the servant-girl problem, "With Mamma Away." It is illustrated by Irving R. Wiles.

It is said that the powers of either man or woman are developed five-fold by working with a life-companion who is in entire harmony. The ideal wife as a rule has it in her power to make the ideal husband. What constitutes the ideal wife is discussed in an extremely able article by Lavinia Hart in the April Cosmopolitan.

How, then can the American girl get and keep her own soul aglow? Next to pure religion one of the greatest spiritualizing agents is good literature. Mr. Howells has aptly said that in America civilization comes largely through books. One business of the American girl, then, is to teach herself to appreciate literature when she sees it, and to reject the mass of tawdry imitations with which we are at the moment flooded. The way to know good literature is to first familiarize one's self with the best.—George W. Gerwig in the March Woman's Home Companion.

Florence—What is the feminine of doctor, Viva?

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Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The meetings for men only at the Hartford Opera House have attracted considerable attention and the audiences have averaged from 500 to 900 each Sabbath afternoon. These meetings will be continued at the Opera House until the first of May when they will be conducted again at the Association building.

On Sunday afternoon, May 5th, Rev. Leonard J. Garver of California is to give one of his famous lecture interpretations of Christian novels. His subject on that occasion will be the "Crucifixion of Philip Strong." On Sunday, May 12th, the anniversary of the Association is to be observed by services in most of the churches of the city. A large corps of prominent leaders in Association work in New England and other parts of the East will be here to make the addresses. There will be a mass meeting for men at the Association building at 3.15 in the afternoon to be addressed by Major George A. Hilton of New York city.

The Hillyer Institute closes another season with the record of a good work. On Monday evening, the 22d of April there will be a banquet in Jewell Hall for faculty, students and invited guests.

On Wednesday evening, the 24th, there will be public closing exercises held in Jewell Hall, the program to consist of special music and an address by Prof. Edgar Marburgh of the University of Pennsylvania. This meeting will be open to the general public.

The Religious Work Committee of the Association is planning to carry on the aggressive religious work through the entire summer. They are planning to hold open air metiengs in a tent on the open lot adjoining the building.

The development of the Boys' Department work is being carefully considered and the entire ground floor space of the Association building has been set apart by the Board of Management for the future use of the Boys' Work. The plan is to divide the work into three sections; the first for Juniors between 10 and 13 years; second, intermediates between 14 and 17, and third, a work for employed boys between 12 and 17, the latter to have the privileges of the Department in the evening from 6 to 9. The other two sections will be exclusively confined to the afternoon.

During the recent meetings held for boys under the direction of Rev. John M. Dick, 60 boys made a clear decision to enter upon a Christian life. These boys are being looked after by the pastors of the churches where they have an acquaintance or connection through the Sunday school and it is hoped that the majority will become members of the church.

The great event ahead for the Associations of the United States and Canada is the coming International Convention at Boston, June 11 to 16. This will be known as the Jubilee Convention, celebrating the 50th anniversary of the organization in this country. It will be one of the greatest religious gatherings of the year and over 4,000 delegates are being planned for. This is more interesting because the delegation will consist almost entirely of men. A great array of speakers is being provided and the Mechanic's Pavilion of Boston has been secured as the meeting place.

OPEN HEARTH.

The three hours' services on Good Friday at the Open Hearth were even more fully attended than usual and were of the most interesting and impressive character. Superintendent Miller gave addresses, and as each picture was exhibited on the canvas, showing the sufferings and death for us of Our Lord there was a silence which showed the deep appreciation of all present in the scenes presented. A large number of those present gave evidence of their determination to endeavor henceforth by the help of God to amend their lives and live according to His commandments.

Easter Sunday, although dark and rainy outside was light and pleasant at the Open Hearth. Large numbers crowded both the afternoon and evening meetings and Superintendent Miller preached at both services on the "Resurrection of Christ."

The work of the Open Hearth must be seen to be fully appreciated, hundreds of men come here out of work and down-spirited. Men who are not behind in natural ability, but who have given way under their burden and need the cheering word and touch of sympathy to recover themselves. All our citizens should feel a personal interest in such a work and extend their aid to Superintendent Miller in his efforts to raise the fallen and cheer the downhearted.

W. C. T. U. NOTES.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Hartford county held its annual convention in the Asylum Street Methodist Church April 10. Owing to the rain, the attendance was not so large as usual, but the meeting was full of interest. The morning was occupied with reports from the various unions, and a talk by our state president upon the hearings before the committe, concerning the scientific temperance instruction bill. At noon a collation was served by the Hartford Union. The afternoon was largely devoted to election of officers. Miss Agnes Forbes, daughter of our president of the state and local union, rendered two very fine solos, accompanied by Miss Olive Allen.

Cordial thanks are extended to all those who helped to make the county convention such a success.

WOMAN'S WORK NOTES.

"The less you exact of your friends the more they will give you," writes Helen Watterson Moody of "The First Tragedy in a Girl's Life," in the April Ladies' Home Journal. "For yourself give as richly and as nobly as you want to—of your love and your confidence and your loyalty. Live up to your highest ideal of what a friend should be (and the higher you make that ideal the finer woman you will be and the more friends will flock to you), but never exact of your friends that they shall give you more than they choose easily to give. If some one you love disappoints you, and as many, many more will do in days to come, do not hold up your ideal of what they should be and do as a mirror in which to count their imperfections. Let it pass, if you can, with a little smile that may be sad, but need not be at all satirical."

A girl cannot too sedulously guard her mother, nor too gently bear with her, if the mother have reached a period where she is more easily wearied than formerly, and where little things vex her. To some of us there come days when our hearts are heavy because we were not so sweet and loving as we might have been, and God alone can help us when this realization comes too late.—Margaret E. Sangster, in the April Ladies' Home Journal.

Conducted by Mr. George Whipple Steele.

Questions on musical subjects of general interest will be answered in this department.

FRANZ SCHUBERT.

(1797-1828.)

"It is the glory of German music, and of Schubert in particular, to have brought the song to its highest perfection. From the days of the Minnesingers, Germany has always been rich in its national Lieder-ballads of love, of war, of beauty, handed down from age to age and sung to airs long ago become traditional. From these simple beginnings were gradually developed lyrics such as Goethe and Heine wrote; and in Schubert there was found, "just to the time," the one musician who could most sympathetically enter into the poetic spirit of these writers. In this it is hard to say whether they or he were the more fortunate. Their inspiration freed his genius from the dead-weight of tradition; and he, with one burst of melody, transmuted the familiar ballad into a form of song so truly lyrical, so incomparably expressive, so full of the passionate reality of life, as to be almost unintelligible to the less imaginative spirits of his time.

Schubert's work is now so completely accepted as the last word in song-writing—we have become so accustomed to our inheritance of its beauty—that it needs an effort for us to grasp the magnitude of the change it brought about. If we realize that, since Schubert's time, almost every song worthy of consideration has complied, more or less designedly, with the methods indicated by him; if we compare the spiritless songs of a hundred and fifty years ago with such compositions as "Der Wanderer," or "Der Erlkonig," songs that are of the essence of poetry, in which every musical phrase unerringly reflects the spirit of the poem; if we can estimate support, in producing an exquisite whole—then we shall in some degree be able to appreciate the value of Schubert's short life of work.

His life passed humbly and uneventfully in Vienna, his facility in composition increasing as his genius developed. Remarkable instances are recorded of the quickness of his imagination and the apparently irresistible manner in which melody presented itself to him. For example, the following account is given of the composition of his exquisite "Serenade." "With a number of boon companions Schubert sat one afternoon in an obscure Viennese tavern known as the Biersack. The surroundings were anything but conducive to poetic fancies—dirty tables, floor, and ceiling, the clatter of mugs and dishes, the loud dissonance of beery roysterers, the squalling of children, and all the sights and sounds characteristic of the beer-cellar. One of the composer's companions had with him a volume of poems, at which Schubert was looking in a lazy way, laughing and drinking the while. Singling out some verses, he said, 'I have a pretty melody in my head for these lines, if only I could get a piece of ruled paper.'

Some staves were drawn on the back of a bill of fare, and here, amid all the confusion and riot, was born the divine melody of the 'Serenade'—a song which embodies the most delicate dream of passion and tenderness that the heart of man ever conceived."

Though they lived at no distance from one another, Schubert and Beethoven never met until the latter was on his death-bed. Then he twice received Schubert. On the first occasion he treated him with affectionate warmth; at the next visit Beethoven was unable to speak, but lay with his eyes lovingly fixed on Schubert's; and at the great man's funeral, which took place three weeks later, Schubert was one of the torch-bearers.

Schubert was never married. The chief among his biographers says of him, from personal knowledge, that he was "a good son, a loving brother, a true friend; good-tempered, well-meaning, free from hatred or envy; large-hearted and enthusiastic for nature and the art he held sacred. In disposition he was genial, honest and straightforward, and quite without affectation or sentimentalism."

As an orchestral composer, Schubert ranks high, although his symphonies were neglected and the finest even unknown for a long time. It was not until seven years after the composer's death that his finest symphony, that in C, was brought to light by his famous disciple and ardent champion, Schumann.

It is by his creation of the artistic form of song, by his transformation of a cold formalism into a passionate and poetical life, that Schubert has won a deathless name in music. He has had brilliant successors in his path — Schumann, Robert Franz, Loewe, Brahms, Dvorak—but none have surpassed him in that aptness of the advance implied in the abandonment of the old ballad rule by which the melody of the first stanza must necessarily be repeated in the others, and the substitution for this of the rule that the melody may be as variable as the sentiment it expresses, while the accompaniment, no longer colourless or a thing apart, shall bear an important share, by suggestion and poetic instinct, that inexhaustible fund of melody and that richness of fancy which so fully entitled him to Liszt's description of "the most poetic of musicians."

R. F. Sharp.

EASTER NOTES.

The various choirs are deserving of sincere thanks for their efforts to make the services interesting beyond the ordinary. Theirs is no easy task.

At the Park Church, Mr. Camp's cantata, "The Prince of Life," was sung at the four o'clock service, and gave great pleasure to his many friends.

The Cathedral service was very impresssive. The soprano there is fast becoming a favorite in Hartford.

TEMPERANCE NOTES.

The Student' Quarter of Paris, the old Latin Quarter, is witnessing a temperance revival led by one of the students.

This has been a most prosperous year for the National W. C. T. U., and they now enroll nearly 15,000 more paid-up members than a year ago.

In fifteen of the largest American cities, according to the census of 1890, there were, during 1889, the enormous number of 465,514 arrests, and 339,737 of these were due directly to drink.

There is in New Haven one man, forty years old, who has been sent to jail two hundred times for drunkenness, and he is scarcely more than a fair sample of the average "rounder." "The present law," says Rev. H. H. Kelsey, "does nothing for society except to keep the drunken man out of sight a part of the time."

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Many shafts, ranging from 10 to 100 feet, have been sunk. Later development discloses the fact that the ore improves in quality and increases in quantity.

The latest development not only corroborates this, but the richness of the ore, increasing with depth, bears testimony to the conditions apparent in all mines in this section of Arizona, viz.: that with depth the richest ore is found, where veins from the first are as well pronounced as in the Anti-Cleveland lode.

In addition to this, while the Company has abundance of water at the mill and near the mine, the mine itself is free from it, thus saving expense of pumping and pumping machinery.

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From the foregoing, it is evident that while the Company has a good business proposition from the start, without the usual mining risk, the features of a bonanza are so pronounced as to be almost assured.

This possession of a lode full of rich gold ore having been substantiated through a most critical examination of the property by a competent Hartford man, it remains to demonstrate why the results claimed can be obtained, and how they are assured to the stockholders.

Assays from all parts of the lode range in values from $22.37 to $571.00 per ton. Ore milled from five shafts yielded gold in bullion returns of $20.00 to $85.00 per ton. The Company milled 221 tons of refuse ore, with an average yield of $9.40 per ton.

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It is therefore to their own interest and profit to make the stock productive.

To this end they have agreed to work for nominal salaries (less than a good mechanic's wages) until the stock produces and pays regular dividends.

As a guarantee of the above, and to bind them to work successfully, as well as to furnish more capital should the amount now raised not be enough, 400,000 shares have been deposited with a Trustee, to remain in his hands until the mine is on a dividend-paying basis. The deeds and all the other important papers are in the hands of a Trustee in Hartford (and herein lies the difference between this and other mining enterprises).

No. 80 William St.,
Hartford, Conn., Nov. 12, 1900.

Received this day of Edw. A. Meysenburg, President, Guadalupe Mining and Milling Company, for safe keeping and in trust for the company and its stockholders, as follows:

A. For safe keeping.

1. Articles of incorporation, with letter of Attorney General of Arizona authorizing the transaction of business.
2. By-laws of the Company.
3. Deeds to mine.
4. Deed to Mill and Mill site.
5. Plat of properties.
6. Letter of Mining Engineer and Metallurgist, Jno. C. F. Randolph of New York, endorsing Mr. Geo. U. Ingersoll, the Company's engineer at the Mine.

B. In trust for stockholders:

7. Deposit of 400,000 shares of full-paid stock, as guarantee of good faith and of sufficiency of funds to be held until two dividends have been paid to stockholders out of Net earnings.
8. Agreement that no salaries shall be paid to any person not actually employed by the Company in producing results, and that until a dividend out of Net earnings has been paid no salary to any one officer shall exceed $2,000 per annum.

(Signed) H. M. Andrews.

LITERARY DEPARTMENT

Walter A. Wyckoff, the author of "The Workers," has written nothing on that subject for the past three years. He reappears in the April Scribner's with the first of four or five papers founded on his experiences as a day laborer.

Under the title 'The Abolition of Death," the Rev. Dr. R. F. Horton has written for the April Quiver an Easter discourse based on the text "Christ Jesus, who abolished death." It is an extraordinary fact, says Dr. Horton, that Jesus Christ habitually ignored death in His discourses.

Good Cheer for April is exceedingly cheerful as usual. Sterling Elliott writes entertainingly of the relative charm of city and country life.

The most notable article in Modern Culture for April is "'The Friendship of Carlyle and Emerson," by Johnson Brigham, Librarian of the Iowa State Library.

An historical article of importance is in McClure's for April. It is by Ida M. Tarbell and is entitled "Disbanding the Confederate Army." This number contains an instalment of "Kim" by Rudyard Kipling.

In the April Literary Era, William S. Walsh in his short essay, which is a feature of the magazine, deals this month with "'Critics and Sham," and discusses in a virile but pleasant and sometimes humorous way the extent to which critical authority should be acknowledged in matters of literature.

"The Indian Territory — Its Status, Development, and Future," is the subject of an instructive article in the April Review of Reviews, contributed by Col. Richard J. Hinton. The work of the Dawes Commission, for the allotment of lands to the Indians in severalty, is fully described, and the result analyzed and tabulated.

Carle J. Blenner supplies a study of a beautiful head for the cover of Ainslee's for April.

The World's Work for April publishes the first map ever made, showing the extent of what Mr. Carnegie has given away. But the publishers announce that between the time the map was made and the time it could be published—less than a month—Mr. Carnegie had given away about thirty-five separate public libraries, offered sixty-five more to New York city, and a million dollars for libraries to St. Louis.

Among the papers of the late Grant Allen was found an article on "The British Aristocracy." It was secured through his son for The Cosmopolitan and appears in the April number. Certainly no Englishman has ever so handled the subject without gloves as Grant Allen, and no one was better equipped to do the subject justice.

From "MLLE. DE BERNY." Published by L. C. Page & Co. Boston, Mass.

L. O. Howard, chief entomologist of the United States Department of Agriculture, tells in the April Century the amazing story of the relation between "Malaria and Certain Mosquitos."

In Cassell's Magazine for April, Mr. Bickles Willson tells the story of the wonderful collection of furs, which in each year are gathered for sale by the Hudson Bay Company.

The Biblical World, published by the University of Chicago, contains articles of great interest and value to all Bible students. It is published monthly and is edited by President William R. Harper.

Chafing Dish Receipes. By Mrs. Olive A. Cotton. 100 pages, pamphlet. New York: A Mackel & Co. Price 25 cents.

Beginning, as is proper, with a "History of the Chafing Dish," the author follows with some "Practical Suggestions," and, in order, a number of excellent recipes under such special headings as "Soups," "Sauces," "Oysters and Clams," "Chicken and Turkey," "Eggs," "Cheese," 'Vegetables," "Miscellaneous" and "Menus."

The volume is a pretty one and will be of value to the expert as well as to the amateur.

The Ethics of Evolution. By James Thompson Bixby. 315 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Small, Maynard & Co. Price $1.25.

This book was first published in 1891 under the title "The Crisis in Morals." It was intended in the main as a concise reply to Herbert Spencer's "Data of Ethics," but very soon attained a position of much more importance than as a simple rejoinder.

It reconstructed many of the theories of morals, and the parts morals played in the evolution of mankind. It showed the vast effect of ethics on the development of life and character.

The book has been translated into several languages. It is simple and easy of comprehension.

The Conversion of Children. By Rev. E. Payson Hammond. 174 pages, 12 mo, New York: Fleming H. Revell Co.

A volume of wide circulation on a subject which has for centuries aroused question and discussion. The author, who is a resident of Hartford, believes firmly in child conversion. His views are endorsed and praised by many religious publications and Christian workers.

Tangled Flags. By Archibald Clavering Gunter. 282 pages, 12 mo. New York: Home Publishing Co. Price, paper, 50 cents; cloth, $1.25.

This is the story of two cadet chums at West Point Military academy. One is a Japanese, the other an American, and after leaving West Point they separate, only to have the fortunes of war bring them together again in China during the late Boxer uprising. Both are in love with the heroine, and one makes a great sacrifice of his love for the other.

The story is as fascinating as all Gunter's romances are. It is timely and up-to-date as well.

Roger Ludlowe: The Colonial Lawmaker. By John M. Taylor. 166 pages, 12 mo. New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons. Price $1.50.

Mr. Taylor is a well-known resident of Hartford, and is author of "Maximilian and Carlotta," a book which has received much well-merited at-

tention since its publication a few years ago.

The present book is the result of careful research and study into the life of Roger Ludlowe, whose work in formulating laws for the colonies has proved of great and permanent value. Both the striking personality of the man, and the real value of his work have been long obscured, and Mr. Taylor has but rendered common justice to a character of true distinction, in rescuing him from more or less oblivion.

Ludlowe's part in drafting the constitution of the colony of Connecticut should insure his lasting fame in this state. This was the famous written constitution of 1639. Associated with him in constructing this remarkable instrument were Hooker and others, but the "Body of Lawes," which was framed under this constitution, was almost exclusively his work.

The Man Stealers. By M. P. Shiel. 339 pages, 12 mo. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott Co. Price $1.25.

Mr. Shiel has the gift necessary for writing exceedingly thrilling stories. Recently his book, "The Yellow Danger," was reviewed in these columns. That story was ingenious and intensely interesting, though improbable. The present book is no less readable, but is under the disadvantage of being utterly impossible. It is the story of the abduction of the Duke of Wellington by some persistent admirers of Napoleon Bonaparte.

The Kite Trust. (A Romance of Wealth.) By Lebbeus Harding Rogers. 475 pages, 12 mo. New York: Kite Trust Pub. Co. Price $1.00.

An entirely unique plot characterizes this romance. It begins with the story of a boy's corner of lemons. From that exploit the boy, "Micky Flynn," gains a start in life. Co-operating with two other boys he makes a corner in kites. The Kite Trust grows and becomes a very real power. It becomes a trust of trusts, and at length its policy of absorption brings it into contact with the great "Standard Hoyle Company," which succumbs to it. Happily for the world at large the gigantic "Kite Trust" uses its power for good only.

When Blades are Out and Love's Afield. By Rev. Cyrus Townsend Brady. 12mo. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott Co. Price $1.50.

The story of two women and their soldier lovers during the Revolutionary period. There is as much of war as of love in the story and Lord Cornwallis and Generals Greene and Morgan are among the characters who make the story move — and it does move—with vigor and charm.

The book contains a new and interesting portrait of the Rev. Mr. Brady, who is now better known as an author than as an archdeacon.

Ad Astra. By Charles Whitworth Wynne. Crown, 8vo. New York: John Lane. Price $1.25.

This is a poem of 227 seven-line stanzas, printed in a folio-bound book. It is an argument on the philosophy of the universe, life and destiny. The reasoning is occasionally inconsistent and forced, but the verse is smooth and musical and conveys many thoughts, new and of surprising beauty and impresssiveness.

CYRUS TOWNSEND BRADY.
Author of "When Blades are Out and Love's Afield." J. B. Lippincott & Co.

The Turn of the Road. By Eugenia B. Frothingham. 266 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Houghton, Mifflin & Co. Price $1.50.

The story of a fine type of American girl. She is very beautiful and has a beautiful voice and an all-absorbing ambition. She does not wish to love and so, of course, the man who falls in love with her is the kind of a man who does not give up what he hopes to attain.

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The story is emotional, but vivid and vivacious and of much literary power.

Bird Portraits. By Ernest Seton-Thompson. 40 pages, quarto. Boston: Ginn & Co. Price $1.50.

This beautiful book, coming "with the compliments of the author," is an addition to the list of entirely praiseworthy productions of Mr. Seton-Thompson. Twenty of our familiar bird friends are depicted in characteristic attitudes. The drawings, which it is not necessary to say are excellent, are full-page and are brought out to best advantage by being printed on heavy coated paper.

Ralph Hoffman, of the Audubon Society, contributes an entertaining description of the birds, to accompany the drawings.

The Life and Literature of the Ancient Hebrews. By Lyman Abbott, D. D. 408 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Houghton, Mifflin & Co. Price $2.00.

The author here gives the best results of the higher criticism of the Old Testament and includes also a careful analysis of the law, politics, poetry, history, drama, philosophy, ethical culture, theology, folk-lore and fiction of the ancient Hebrew people.

This book is based on lectures delivered in Plymouth Church, and in the Lowell Institute course. The author is well known as a liberal and advanced thinker in theology. His object in writing the present book is to show that interpretation of the Old Testament's teachings is becoming less dogmatic and more vitally religious.

Like Another Helen. By George Horton. 379 pages, 12 mo. Indianapolis: The Bowen-Merrill Co. Price $1.50.

It is marvelous—the almost invariable success of the Bowen-Merrill publications.

This book has leapt into success almost immediately after publication and is now, in many book stores over the country, "the best-selling book." It is a love romance, the scene of which is located at the island of Crete, and in the course of the story the conflicts between Greek and Turk are depicted with force and sympathy. The story is eventful. It is exciting also, and there are paragraphs of infinite pathos.

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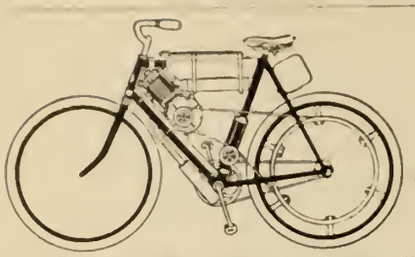

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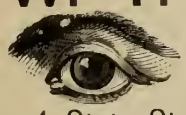

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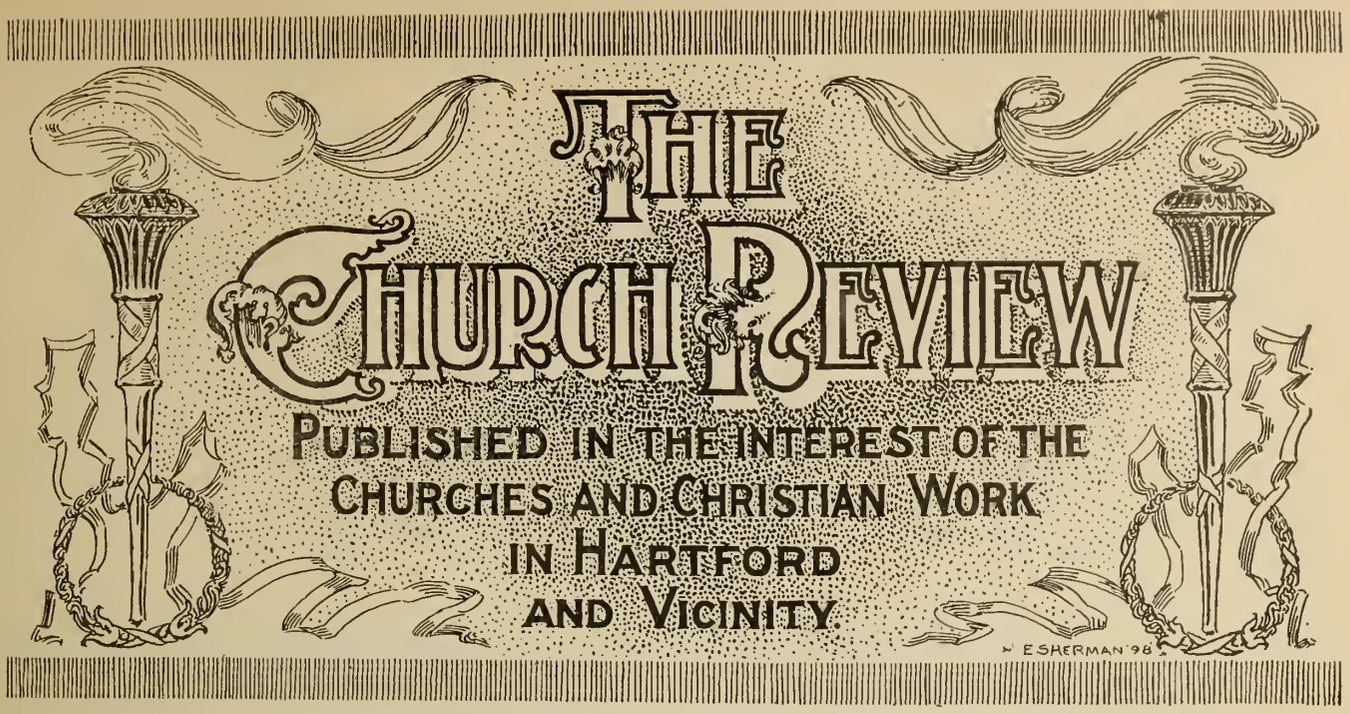


THE CHOIR INVISIBLE.

O may I join the choir invisible
Of those immortal dead who live again
In minds made better by their presence; live
In pulses stirred by generosity,
In deeds of daring rectitude, in scorn
For miserable aims that end with self,
In thoughts sublime that pierce the night like stars,
And with their mild persistence urge men's search
To vaster issues.

So to live is heaven:
To make undying music in the world.
. . . . . .

This is the life to come,
Which martyr'd men have made more glorious
For us who strive to follow. May I reach
That purest heaven, be to other souls
The cup of strength in some great agony,
Enkindle gen'rous ardor, feed pure love,
Beget the smiles that have no cruelty—
Be the sweet presence of a good diffused,
And in diffusion ever more intense.
So may I join the choir invisible
Whose music is the gladness of the world. —George Eliot.

GOD'S PROMISE TO THE SOWER.

By Rev. William M. Carr.

"Earth cannot long ensepulchre
In her dark depths the tiniest seed;
When life begins to throb and stir,
The bonds of death are weak indeed.
No clods its upward course deter,
Calmly it makes its path to day;
One germ of life is mightier
Than a whole universe of clay."

Again has come the year's seeding time, heralded by the carpeting of the earth with green, the warm breezes from the southland and the bursting into the study of the children with fragrant and fresh handfuls of trailing arbutus. We are led to think about our limited gardens, the narrow flower bed here, the shooting up of a perennial there, possibly forgotten, and the vine needing attention yonder, and what seeds shall we plant this year? Our stock is purchased, and as we examine the tiny black specks or little brown seeds we wonder at the possibilities of life which they envelop and the words of St. Paul are suggested: "That which thou sowest is not quickened, except it die, and that which thou sowest thou sowest not that body that shall be, but bare grain . . . but God giveth it a body as it hath pleased him." I Cor. 15:36-38.

We know these tiny seeds, or dry bulbs, will, by the Father's process of soil, sun and rain spring into new life, the tender root let downward, stalk upward, and finally the expanding blossom, perhaps a lily—a marvel of whiteness and purity, exhaling the most exquisite perfume, delighting the hearts of men, for man alone can appreciate this message of the Father's love—a dog would only think of a good place to curl up and go to sleep, a cow whether any of the leaves were good for food—but men appreciates flowers as messages of love from the Father, and when the Master said: "Consider the lilies" there were other lessons to learn besides that of God's care for his people.

Again, the same loving power that raised the lily from the dark, forbidding marl, can and will raise all who believe in Him unto the resurrection life. "Because I live ye shall live also" and "Let not your heart be troubled . . . I go to prepare a place for you." How comforting are these promises to those sad hearts who have laid in the grave those who in all the wide world were dearest to them! We shall, with them, be "raised in glory," for "now is Christ risen from the dead and become the first-fruits of them that slept."

In either case it is a miracle of God's power whether the bursting of a dry seed into a transformed plant life, which we now see daily; or, the promised transformation of our own bodies, which we receive by faith.

In our Lord's explanation of the parable of the sower, he said: "The seed is the word," or, to transpose the sentence; the word is like seed. As there are marvelous possibilities wrapped up in a tiny seed, so there are infinite possibilities in life and character resulting from the sowing of the good seed of the word in the receptive heart.

Every faithful minister of Christ can recall those whom he has helped to abandon the old, sinful life by the faithful impartation of the good seed of the kingdom. He has been permitted to behold the unfolding of the beautiful new life, that, in its sweetness of spirit, or abundant good works, or power of love, or all combined, no one would have thought possible.

Let no pastor, Sunday school teacher, or Christian worker in whatever field, grow weary of sowing the word of God—"the good seed of the kingdom" in human hearts. Recall that beautiful promise in Isa. 55:10, 11. "For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not

thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater; so shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I seed it." It is sometimes true that the germination of seeds is long delayed.

In the Mississippi valley grows a noxious weed, familiar to all farmer boys as the cocklebur. The rich, black loam, ten or fifteen feet deep in that region is particularly favorable to the growth and propagation of the hated weed. If left to itself in a very few years it will completely cover a field, and nothing else, scarce any other weed, can live. It has been the subject of legislation again and again, the weed is seen quite frequently in New York and Connecticut, but it is so meek and lacking in aggression, by reason of the unfavorable soil, that it is no pest, and the writer has not yet found a person in the East that knew a name for it, but the writer recognized his ancient enemy, and gloried in its obscurity.

But I was going to write the lesson the cocklebur teaches of delayed propagation. The farmer in the West will sometimes weary of fighting the pest and turn his rich cornfields or oatfields to meadow or pasture land, thus hoping in a few years to exterminate it, for it will not grow through dense sod, but after the lapse of as many as fifteen or twenty years, let him break up his meadow and to his horror he will find his whole field alive with burs, the seeds of the tenacious burs having remained latent in the soil during the whole period, but further, let him carefully destroy every plant of that year's crop up to frost, and the next year he will have another crop, because the bur is two celled, and only one cell will grow the first year.

In somewhat like manner is the good seed of the kingdom insistent, and after years have intervened, and the one who has sown the good seed with prayer, and watered it with tears, will have passed from earth, there will be one day the springing into life, the growth and fruitage of a beautiful Christian character.

A dozen years ago the writer met a business man whose store then occupied a prominent corner on Broadway, New York. Desiring to purchase goods in his line, he was surprised that the merchant chose for an hour after their introduction, and at every subsequent meeting to speak rather concerning the things of the kingdom of Christ than to sell his goods. The merchant among other things, spoke of his boyhood, said he had attended a little Sunday school among the hills of Connecticut. His teachers were not blessed with a knowledge of all the rules of grammar, but they sowed faithfully the good seed of the word in his boy heart. His godly mother supplemented their instruction by home training. One day she taught him our Lord's simile: likening the kingdom of God to a grain of mustard seed growing to a great tree in the branches of which the birds lodge. "Mother," said the boy, "that is not true, every one knows that mustard grows as a bush in the garden, and not to a great tree," and puffed up with his vaunted knowledge, he stalked out of the house, leaving his gentle mother, without words to reply, in tears. When he grew to manhood the "gold fever" of 1849 inspired him with thousands of other young men to journey to the Pacific coast. He invested all he had, or could secure, in paying for his passage and outfit, but like most others, he met failure and disappointment, and one evening found him without money to pay for even a poor night's lodging. He lay down to sleep for the first time on the earth under the open sky, as we can well imagine, thoroughly disheartened. Early next morning he was awakened by the singing of birds in the trees over his head, and looking up, what must have been his astonishment to find them real mustard trees. His mother's teaching years before in his boyhood home among the hills, came back to him with tremendous force, and the seed of the word so faithfully sown in tears, sprang into life. He knelt down like Jacob of old, and promised God that, if he would bring him back East again, and prosper his way he would serve him all the days of his life. The writer can testify to the fact, not only that God has prospered him, but that he has been, and is today, a faithful servant of Jesus Christ, and holds a prominent place, not alone in the business world, but in his home city, and more especially in the church of his choice, and is contemplating a monetary gift, as a thank-offering to the little Sunday school of his boyhood for a library fund. How forcefully does this experience recall the words of the hymn:

"Sow in the morn thy seed; at eve hold not thy hand;
To doubt and fear give thou no heed, broadcast it o'er the land.

Thou knowest not which shall thrive, the late or early sown;
Grace keeps the precious germ alive, when and wherever strewn:

And duly shall appear, in verdure, beauty, strength,
The tender blade, the stalk, the ear, and the full corn at length.

Thou canst not toil in rain: cold, heat, and moist and dry,
Shall foster and mature the grain for garners in the sky.

Then, when the glorious end, the day of God, shall come,
The angel reapers shall descend and heaven shout, "Harvest Home!"

THE NINE NIGHTS' FESTIVAL IN CEYLON.

In October last there was celebrated here and in all the villages about Jaffna the "Nine Nights' Festival," which I will try to describe. Jaffna has a great number of heathen temples, there being in Manepy alone no less than nine big Hindu temples, besides a great many smaller ones. The engraving shows one of these temples near Manepy, with men worshiping and the priests giving the sacred ashes. In Manepy itself there is a noted temple dedicated to the god Pulliar, the eldest son of Siva, the chief god of the Hindus. This temple is quite close to the Christian church and hospital, and is frequented by people from all parts of Jaffna.

It is curious to know that even the officiating priest of this temple did not know the history of this Nine Nights' Festival, thus proving how blindly the Hindu worship their gods and spend large sums of money on what they really know nothing about. The story is thus related:

Once upon a time there was a feud between the giant-god Asuran and the goddess Kali, or Durga, which lasted nine full days. In these feuds it is said the Asuran assumed different forms, at one time a bull, again a cat, a hen and lastly a tree. On the ninth night Asuran was killed.

In commemoration of this event every year the Hindus celebrate these festivals in their various temples. The Brahmans, or Hindu priests, relate exaggerated stories of the feats done by the gods, to an audience of worshipers, who come there with various offerings. On the ninth day the gods are placed upon graven images of animals. These animals are found in all important temples, and are elaborately made at great expense.

On this night the gods ride on horses as lifeless as the images, and these again are borne on poles carried on men's shoulders. They first march round the temple with a crowd of people, some beating drums, deafening to one's ears. Then the gods go to meet the neighboring gods in the evening, when a sham fight goes on. In the center is placed a tree gayly decorated, representing the form Asuran took upon himself on the last day of the feud. Then this tree is cut down by the priest, to signify the fatal result of the fight which happened thousands of years ago.

Each day of the great festival began with the sound of a bell ringing about 6 a. m. for the people to gather with their offerings, such as flowers, rice, cocoanuts, etc., to the god Pulliar; then at 11 a. m., and again in the evening, we heard the beating of drums and music, if it can be called music, of pipes and trumpets, which continued past midnight. During all hours of the day men, women and sometimes children, could be seen making their bows and salaams towards the temple, the men rolling their bodies till they made a complete tour around the temple, at the same time muttering some words in Tamil; the women making a tour by bowing their faces and kissing the ground; then, taking a little sand in their hand, they throw this over them; then rise, putting their feet where the head touched before, thus measuring their length on the ground till they have gone around the temple.

Each evening the god was taken out for a ride around the temple, one night on a large painted rat, the other nights on painted horses or different kinds of portable cars, all decorated with flowers, etc., and lit up by torches carried by some men, followed by crowds of people. One of the storehouses of sacred images of animals, called Vahans, on which the idols are taken to ride, is shown in the engraving. In front of the procession is a big doll, about twice the size of an ordinary man, painted in gorgeous colors. This was to represent the devil, we were told. Inside this doll is a man whose eyes can look through holes pierced about the middle of the doll's body, and so he walks about in front of the god, dancing and making bows, exciting more attention probably than the god itself.

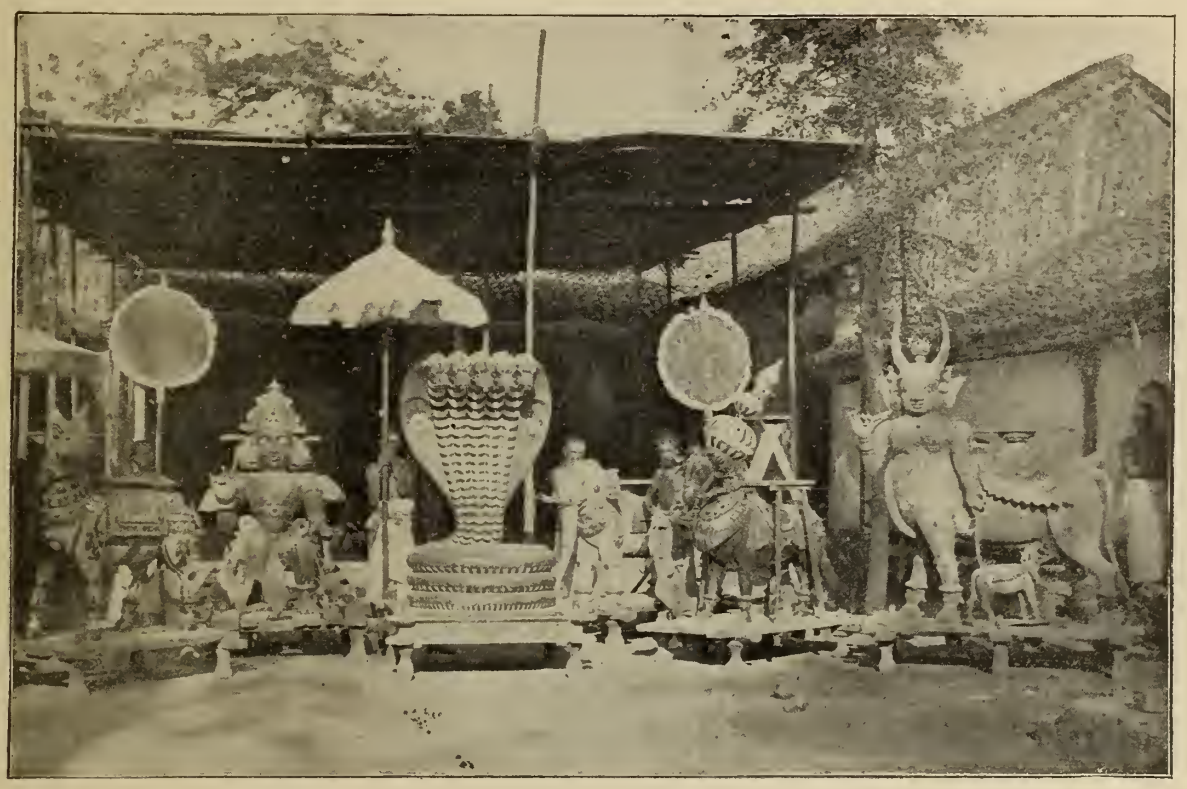
Every day during the festival several cavadies passed on their way to the temple. These are arched frames decorated with tinsel and flowers, and at each of the four corners is a bunch of peacock feathers. In some cavadies money was placed and sometimes milk also, to wash the idol. The cavadies are carried on the head and shoulders of some one who has made a vow in time of sickness to carry this from his house to the temple as an offering. One day about noon we saw six cavadies pass. One was an old man who had iron hooks thrust into the muscles of his back, fastened to strings which were pulled by another man, both dancing round the circle.

The last day of the feast was Tamil New Year's day and the great car day of the festival, when thousands of people came to worship at the temple here.

At 8.30 a. m. several of the native Christians met in the house for prayer, and afterwards we went to the dispensary and began the meeting at 9 a. m. The organ was placed in the doorway of the surgical dresssing room, with a choir of girls seated behind, so that the music and singing helped to attract the passers-by to come in and listen. The large gate was thrown open and many soon gathered, filling all the benches and some standing. Over 150 were present at one time, and while many went away, others came to fill their places, so that between 400 and 500 people would hear the gospel story.

We sang several Tamil lyrics and hymns, which were explained by a number of speakers, of whom there were two native pastors, two or three native doctors, and several teachers and catechists. Some gave thrilling gospel addresses, while one told of his conversion, to which the people listened most eagerly. The people behaved and listened well, except just at the close of the meeting, when a few became a little outrageous and began throwing small stones, probably because of what one of the speakers had said about their idol worship, or because the great car was being taken out, which caused no little excitement.

Although a few stones flew past us, one just touching my face, no one was hurt in the least, and no damage done to the mission premises, to our delight. Quiet was soon restored and the people dismissed, many, we hope, having got good by being present, and we feel sure it did good among the native Christians, making them realize more the needs of their own people.—Miss Isabel H. Curr, M. D., of Jaffna, in the Missionary Herald.



VAHANS OR VEHICLES ON WHICH THE IDOLS RIDE.

"The saloon is one of the few things that are wholly bad. It may give at times shelter and companionship to those who are without such comforts; but such gifts are only baits to the trap. The saloon is bad without a single mitigating circumstance."—Rev. Josiah Strong, D. D.

OPEN HEARTH.

The thirteenth anniversary of the establishment of the Open Hearth and the twelfth of Superintendent Miller's charge was duly celebrated on the evening of May 2. The building was thrown open for inspection from 3 o'clock in the afternoon to half past 10 in the evening, and a large number availed themselves of the opportunity to visit the reading room, dining room, wood yard and the clean and comfortable sleeping rooms, and all expressed their delight as they went through the different departments of the institution. At 7.30 p. m. the service room, which had long before that hour been filled with friends of the work, became overcrowded and the windows in the rear were opened, thus enabling a portion of the audience to be seated in

HINDU RELIGIOUS CEREMONIAL IN A PRIVATE HOUSE.

the reading room. The platform and shelves at the side were decked with potted plants and flowers, furnished and arranged by lady friends always ready to render assistance in the good work. Superintendent Miller, Rev. C. G. Bristol, Rev. E. de F. Miel, Rev. J. P. Faucon and Evangelist S. W. Raymond ocupied seats on the platform. The exercises were commenced by singing of hymns from the book used in the services each evening, led by Superintendent Miller, the audience joined most heartily. After prayer, offered by Rev. E. de F. Miel, Superintendent Miller gave a statement of the establishment of the Open Hearth and of the progress made during the twelve years of his charge. He spoke of the numbers who had been aided to lead better lives and had attained honored positions in the community; of the love borne to the Open Hearth by hundreds scattered throughout the land and which was manifested by the letters so often received. The work had steadily grown to its present proportions, and was still increasing. He paid a well deserved tribute to the committee and thanked all who had either by their gifts or prayers aided in bringing cheer to those who had come to the Open Hearth weary and discouraged, and had been cheered and helped, and he blessed God for the work which had been done and for that still being accomplished. To the surprise of many who knew nothing of the largeness of the work he stated that the attendance at the services during the past year had been 20,769, the number of meals furnished, 19,900; of beds given, 14,869 and the wood yard had sold 7,443 barrels of wood.

Superintendent Miller read a letter from Bishop Brewster regretting his inability to be present and expressing his interest in the work of the Open Hearth. Dr. C. D. Alton, president of the executive committee, and one of the founders of the work, being detained in a distant city, sent a loving communication and requested as his message that Superintendent Miller would read the third chapter of Colossians. Rev. C. G. Bristol gave an interesting address and was followed by Rev. E. de D. Miel, who spoke of the greatness of the work and assured all present that the committee would as soon as possible be ready to do their full part in giving increased facilities for its future growth.

Rev. J. P. Faucon spoke in earnest tones of his love for the Open Hearth and of the good which he had witnessed from the earnest efforts of Superintendent Miller and his hope that with increased facilities to be furnished in the future, its capacity for good might be greatly increased. Evangelist Samuel W. Raymond spoke of his first acquaintance with Superintendent Miller and the Open Hearth and of his connection with the institution towards which he should ever have a great and grateful love. Many others who were present bore testimony to the good done at the Open Hearth. During the evening a number of hymns were sung. Mr. Norton gave selections on the cornet and Mr. W. J. Walker sang a solo entitled "Calvary." The anniversary closed with the singing of the Doxology and all departed satisfied that the thirteenth anniversary of the Open Hearth had been most successful.

"What the average American woman who lives in the city needs most of all in the summer is an entire change from what constitutes her life during the winter," writes Edward Bok, in the May Ladies' Home Journal. "She wants pleasure, for that is good for all of us in moderate quantities, and particularly for the housekeeper. She needs those healthy pleasures and that quiet content which enable her to occupy her mind with the things around her and shut out all thought of the life behind her and that which is before her, so that when she is ready to go back to her home she can take up her duties again with a vigor and a zest born of new strength nd fresh energy. The last thing she ought to think of is the question of dress. She should have complete immunity from that of all things.

The good fortune of the American girl doubtless leads to her want of polite manners. Accustomed to having her "own way," devoid of deference and respect for her parents, or for any one else, not sensitive to the feelings of others, because she has not been trained to observe them, the American girl goes on her way rejoicing, and does not realize the careless selfishness of her attitude until she finds herself, perhaps, with very few friends and no admirers. There are two characteristics which contribute largely to the development of bad manners. The first is just plain, common every-day selfishness, a vice shared in by the whole human race. The other finds in our country its peculiar and especial home. I mean irreverence. Ada C. Sweet, in the May Woman's Home Companion.

Missionaries may make mistakes, but they never make the greatest mistake of all, that of disbelieving in missions. —C. E. World.

ST. PAUL'S METHODIST EPISCOPAL

The Epworth League anniversary was held Sunday, May 12. In the morning the pastor preached to the young people, and in the evening the officers of the league had charge with an interesting program.

A committee have been empowered to purchase little chairs or settees for the infant department.

The Rev. O. F. Bartholow, D. D., pastor of Jones Methodist Episcopal church, Brooklyn, N. Y., will lecture on Friday evening, May 17, in St. Paul's church under the auspices of the Epworth League, on the subject: "Unrecognized Heroes."

The Ministerial Association of the New Haven district, numbering about seventy-five active Methodist pastors, will convene in St. Paul's church Monday and Tuesday, June 10 and 11. A splendid program has been provided by the committee—the Methodist pastors of Hartford. All the Methodist churches of Hartford will unite in entertaining the visiting pastors.

ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL.

The Girls' Friendly society, and the St. Mary's guild gave receptions, with sale and entertainment Tuesday evening, May 7. The parish room was filled with hapy people.

The rector's reception took place Thursday, May 16.

Holy Communion was celebrated on Ascension Day, at 10.45 a. m.

WETHERSFIELD METHODIST.

The pulpit has been occupied for two Sundays by the Rev. Joseph Baird of Yalesville. His sermons were much enjoyed by all. The church will be supplied for the year by a student from Wesleyan.

ASYLUM HILL CONGREGATIONAL.

On Friday evening the Young People's Federation was formally organized at a business and social meeting held in the parlors. This organization—as the name implies—is an association of the young people's societies of the church, and includes workers from the parish engaged in different forms of Christian service under various heads throughout the city, such as the Social Settlement, Good Will club, Morgan Street mission, Friendly Visitors' club, etc. The object is to bring into communication for mutual help all the young people of the parish, and its immediate object is to raise money for and inspire interest in the project of building a parish house. All over twelve years of age are eligible, and members are of three kinds, honorary, active or junior. There are several committees for the special supervision of various departments. Mr. William H. Corbin is president, Miss Rathbun vice-president, Mr. Arthur Thompson secretary, Mr. Blake treasurer. It is earnestly hoped that everybody in the parish will enroll themselves as members on the honorary list, if incapacitated for the active or junior membership. There was an encouraging enrollment on Friday evening in spite of the severe storm.

NEWINGTON CONGREGATIONAL.

At a musicale and cake sale April 19, $65 was raised for Freddie Lindsley, one of the children at the Home.

April 24 an organ recital was given. Although quite a stormy night, $20 was contributed towards the organ repairing which has recently taken place.

Individual communion cups were used for the second time on May 5, and it was voted to buy them.

The C. E. social on May 8 was much enjoyed, being for the most part musical. Cake and ice cream were on sale in the dining room.

Rev. Mr. Macy preached the sermon at the Central conference in New Britain, May 7.

Sunday evening, May 12, the Cheerful Givers' Mission circle gave a concert and opened their mission bells. The children showed the careful drilling of their leader, Miss Mary S. Camp. Miss Laura C. Smith of Berlin, a missionary from South Africa, spoke on her life among the people.

Our pastor gives talks to the young people every Friday afternoon at 3.30 in the chapel.

Mrs. Loren H. Judd of New Britain has contributed a piano to the Elm Hill Sunday school. It is much appreciated.

Rev. Mr. Macy preached at the Home for Incurables May 13 at 3 p. m.

SOUTH PARK METHODIST.

Prof. O. D. Robinson of Albany, N. Y., addressed us Sunday morning (May 12) in the interests of the work for young men done by the Y. M. C. A. He explained the aim of the work, namely, that of preventing evil rather than curing it. Prof. Robinson mentioned a branch of the work carried on successfully in Albany which was particularly interesting. That city, through which several large railroads pass, has many railroad men, engineers, brakemen, etc., with several hours on their hands, left there daily. Through the Y. M. C. A. these railroad men can obtain lodgings and board in a Christian atmosphere. The talk was both interesting and instructive.

Many of the members of the Christian Endeavor society have confessed themselves to be unfamiliar with the C. E. constitution. We are therefore planning to spend the time after one of the business meetings in reading the constitution and becoming familiar with it.

UNITY CHURCH.

The spring meeting of the Connecticut Valley conference of Unitarian churches will be held at Florence, Mass., Tuesday and Wednesday, May 14 and 15. The Rev. Joseph Waite will deliver the sermon Tuesday evening. The delegates chosen from Unity church are: Mr. and Mrs. John R. Root, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Honiss, Miss Mary F. Rearden, Mr. Ira Mather and the pastor.

The contribution of our Sunday school to the Children's Mission to the Children of the Destitute in Boston, Mass., amounted to $28, of which $8 was the Easter offering from the school and $20 was given by a friend for the purpose of making the superintendent of Unity Sunday school, Mrs. Lizzie C. Baker, a life member of the mission.

On April 28, Mr. Waite delivered the closing sermon in the course on the "Unending Genesis," the subject being "A Comparison of the Biblical with the Geological Account of Creation."

On May 5 he gave a sermon for young people on "Sincerity of Speech."

On May 12, be request, he repeated a sermon on "Charles Lamb," given several years ago.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The annual parish meeting for the election of officers and other necessary business was held May 6 at the chapel.

Ascension Day, May 16, the annual meeting for the reading of reports of the Sunday school and the different socities of the church, will be held at the parish building.

Mr. Cranston Brenton of St. James church, Farmington, conducted the services Sunday morning, May 12. He was welcomed to the church where he has so ably assisted the rector the past year or so.

The rector was to have exchanged with Mr. Brenton, but has been sick with a severe cold for the last few days.

It is hoped he will soon recover and be able to be out.

The Good Shepherd chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew is preparing for the state convention, which is to be held at the Memorial building June 1, and at St. James and Christ churches June 2.

Bishop Brewster will visit the church to confer the rite of confirmation the last of May or early in June.

WETHERSFIELD CONGREGATIONAL.

A concert was given at Grange Hall on April 16 for the benefit of the church music, under the leadership of Mr. Ames, our choir leader.

Mr. Macy of Newington preached for us on April 21. Owing to the hard rain, not many were able to enjoy hearing him.

At the Communion service, May 5, seven were received by letter including our pastor and his family. At the Sunday school, Christian Endeavor meeting and the evening service, Miss Emily Wheeler, a lifelong missionary in Armenia, gave us very interesting talks about her work among the orphans there.

At a recent meeting of the Christian Endeavor society the following officers were elected: Pres., Albert Morgan; vice-pres., Jane V. Bacon; rec. sec., John S. Buck; cor. sec., Dan S. Chaffee; treas., Henry R. Buck.

One Sunday evening each month this year Mr. Clark has been giving very interesting talks on noted hymn writers.

On May 12, in the evening, was begun a series of sermons on the Proverbs.

WETHERSFIELD BAPTIST.

Evening services were resumed Sunday, May 12.

The midweek prayer meetings are also to be resumed. These have been omitted on account of the pastor's illness.

WINDSOR CONGREGATIONAL.

The fortnightly tea was given by the Woman's Missionary societies Wednesday, the 8th. The proceeds were $15, which went into their treasury.

Our pastor has taken one of Tennyson's poems for the subject of his Sunday evening talk for each of three Sundays. First, Tennyson's idea of immortality as expressed in "In Memoriam"; second, "The Vision of Sin"; third, "The Two Voices."

Sunday evening, April 28, Rev. James Mason, secretary of Livingstone college and Industrial school, Salisbury, N. C., gave us an address in which he spoke very interestingly of the needs of the colored race at the South and the work of this institution for them.

SUFFIELD STREET CHAPEL.

We have recently made a change in our Sunday school, the primary children going directly to their room, and only coming with the rest of the school for the closing exercises. This has been needed for a long time, as it will give the little folks more time for their lesson.

Another feature recently introduced is to have one class each Sunday lead in the responsive reading, the whole school giving the response.

We also have made quite a large addition to our library of late, which we expect will give a great deal of satisfaction.

At the last business meeting of the Physical Culture club it was agreed to give the proceeds of the exhibition, which amounted to $20, to the Sunday school, with the express purpose that it be applied to an organ fund. The organ is already at the chapel and is giving good satisfaction. The school voted on May 12 to buy the organ, taking the balance necessary from the funds of the school.

During the past month we have had two brides in the chapel. The marriage of Myrton T. Smith and Miss Clara L. Twiss occurred Wednesday evening, April 24, at the home of the bride, and the marriage of Mr. George H. Heintz to Miss Flora Allardyce was solemnized at the home of the bride on Wednesday evening, May 15.

The missionary study class, which is a union with the Windsor Avenue Congregational society, is proving very helpful, and is open to all.

The next three meetings, to be held Monday night, May 20 and 27 and June 3, will be held at Suffield Street chapel, from 8.30 to 9 o'clock p. m.

NEW BRITAIN AVENUE MISSION.

The attendance at the sessions of the Sunday school has notably increased for some time past. It has materially affected the primary department, making a division of the class there necessary. A few of the older pupils have been promoted into classes in the larger room.

Five young ladies have been appointed to furnish leaders for the Wednesday evening prayer meetings for the next five months. No doubt the services will prove very interesting. Miss Nellie Clark is responsible for this month.

Among the leaders at the Sunday evening services have been Rev. E. A. Blake of the First Methodist church, Rev. W. J. Travers of West Hartford, Mr. Fulton of the Seminary and the Parkville Praying band. Mr. Fulton's comparison of our religion with what is termed a religion of Turkey was very interesting. He spoke from experience, having spent some nine months in Constantinople.

FIRST METHODIST.

Mr. Northrop Knox, secretary of Asbury Epworth league, has returned from Jacksonville, and is recovering slowly from his long illness.

The twelfth anniversary of the organization of the Epworth league was observed Sunday evening, May 12. The official program was used, with profit.

At the annual meeting of the Epworth league May 10, the following officers were elected: Pres., Dwight North; vice.-pres., Greenleaf Snow, Mrs. C. H. Burlingham, Miss Clara N. Pierce, and Mrs. W. H. Wilde; sec., Miss Inez Matthews; treas., John W. Cary.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN.

Our Sunday school elected officers May 12, making but few changes, as the school is doing as well as possible in that direction. Financially, we stand with bills paid, and a small sum in the treasury.

Lately our Loyal Workers society has made a new departure in the management of our Tuesday evening meeting, making them informal, and we think, adding to the interest.

Our pastor has arranged for a pulpit exchange for May 12 with Rev. G. M. Little of Westfield, Mass.

FOURTH CONGREGATIONAL.

Thus far 58 members have joined the church this year, 36 of them by confession, including 23 from Sunday school.

Mrs. Fannie J. Crosby of hymn writing fame, spoke in the church on May 8 under the auspices of the King's Daughters.

Intermediate C. E. has chosen as officers for the next six months as follows: Pres., George Kane; vice-pres., Arthur Burket; sec., Mabel Gauthier; treas., Havel Strant.

Through the kindness of Mr. H. A. Kinney, quite a number of our Sunday school scholars have had a trip on the water in a launch.

Athletics are popular just now. Miss Dresser's class has a ball team and a wheel club and is talking of tennis. The Boys' club have a junior ball team and there is talk of a third team to be formed in the Intermediate department.

The church social and cake sale on

May 3 turned out well socially and financially. The Women's union is to be congratulated.

Mr. Clayton Hotchkiss one of our church members, gave an organ recital in the church May 15.

WARBURTON CHAPEL.

Easter Sunday was observed with special exercise in the Sunday school. Six scholars promoted from the primary to the intermediate department were presented with Bibles and certificates of promotion. Twelve children were baptized. The flowers and potted plants which decorated the platform were distributed at the close of the school to the scholars who had been present every Sunday for three months or over.

The members of the girl's club went for a walk in place of their regular meeting for April 8. Accompanied by Miss Adeline Pye, Miss Anne Eldredge and Miss Mirtie Calhoun, they visited the park, the capitol and the Seminary museum.

A concert was given by the Sunday school on Sunday evening, April 18. The subject for the evening was "Mercy." Mr. Potter gave an address and Mrs. Pember and Mr. Bullard sang. The next concert will be held in June at which time we celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of our Sunday school and the thirty-fifth anniversary of the dedication of our present building.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Coolidge Hills have presented for the primary room a picture of "Christ and the Children," by Pockhorst.

Everybody's evening was a social for the school, neighbors and friends held Friday, April 19.

The mother's meetings and the young people's meetings have been discontinued for the summer.

The drinking fountain has been opened for the season and the sand yard will soon be ready for use.

A parents' social will be held on Friday evening, May 24.

GLENWOOD CONGREGATIONAL.

On April 26 the Ladies' society held their annual meeting. The following officers were elected: Mrs. Robinson, pres.; Mrs. Seldon, vice-pres.; Mrs. Sexton, sec. and treas. After the election the president invited all the ladies to partake of a very fine collation which was enjoyed by all.

On May 5 we had five new members added to our list, which we consider very encouraging.

We notice that the C. E. society has out some very neat topic cards for the six months following.

Our pastor went to Bangor, Me., to the commencement exercises and his place was supplied by Prof. Merriam on May 12.

We were much pleased to see Mrs. F. Haskell Smith of Akron, O., Sunday, May 12. Mrs. Smith was one of our workers before going West.

On May 15 the junior Endeavor society held a social, the last till fall.

Friday evening, May 24, the Central section of the Hartford union of Christian Endeavor is to meet with our society. Some important subjects of local interest are to be discussed. All are invited to attend.

It is with regret that we learn of the illness of Miss Bertha Reed. We pray she may speedily recover and be with us soon.

The C. E. society had the pleasure of a visit from President Goslee of the Hartford union on May 12.

The recital given by Miss Perivo was very enjoyable and well attended.

FIRST BAPTIST.

Sunday morning, the 19th, the pastor expects to speak on "The Down Town Church and Its Right to Exist."

The Young Ladies' Mission circle gave an entertainment the eighth of this month for the benefit of foreign missions. The "Zobo Band," its most striking feature, made a "hit." Between the different selections rendered by the band, Jean Ingelow's poem, "Seven Times One," was given in drama form.

On the evening of April 12 a meeting of the teachers and officers of the Sunday school was held at Superintendent Boynton's residence for the purpose of discussing the subject of a canvass for new pupils. There were twenty present. After a full discussion of the matter it was voted to have a canvass of certain districts for the object of getting new pupils, and it was left with the superintendent to appoint a committee of five to report early in the fall as to a plan, etc.

On Sunday, May 12, we observed, with other churches in Hartford, Y. M. C. A. Sunday.

The Men's meetings closed for the season last Sunday. The meetings have been very successful. They will reopen in November. To all who have so well helped, in inviting men in from the sidewalk, showing them to seats, pouring the coffee, attending to the kitchen, playing so faithfully in the orchestra Sunday after Sunday, and to those who have sung for us, as well as to those pastors who have spoken, the pastor extends the heartiest thanks of the church. The students of the seminary have been especially loyal and their help has been greatly appreciated.

Plans are on foot for a reception or garden party for all those who have come into the church under the present pastorate. Mrs. A. R. Carpenter is chairman of a committee that have charge of the matter. Nearly 275 have joined the church durrng the past five years.

The Baptist ministers of the Hartford association met at our church Monday, April 8. The Rev. Mr. Cutten, of New Haven, read a most interesting paper on "Conversion," which led to a great deal of discussion. Dinner was furnished by the ladies of the church.

The Rev. Mr. Roberts told of his escape from the Boxers, on Thursday evening, April 11, coming to us under the auspices of the Steadfast club. He sailed for China on April 27.

ST. THOMAS' EPISCOPAL.

The rector, Rev. George R. Warner, has been seriously ill for the past three weeks, but he is somewhat improved now, and his friends are hoping for a speedy recovery.

Sunday, April 28, Rev. Francis Goodwin, preached in the morning, with much pleasure and profit to a large congregation. The Rev. Herman Lilienthal has been engaged to take charge of the parish during Mr. Warner's illness and began his duties the first Sunday in May. The officers of the parish feel that they were very fortunate in being able to secure Mr. Lilienthal, whose services are very acceptable to the people.

The Young People's club gave two very successful entertainments in the parish hall on the evening of May 1 and 2, giving two farce comedies each night, "Frank Wilde" and "A Rank Deception." There were large audiences both evenings and everybody was delighted with the plays.

The annual meeting of the parish was held in the church Tuesday evening, May 14, and the following officers were elected: Wardens, E. H. Crosby and R. H. Burton; vestrymen, E. H. Judd, J. Henry Martin, George F. Douthwaite, William F. Whittlesey, Edward Reisel, Edward Shelton, A. D. Price, C. B. Sherwood, J. W. Robb and Rufus Johnson; clerk, Henry W. Richards; treasurer, A. D. Price; ushers, H. W. Richards and Arthur S. Halliday; delegates to convention, E. H. Crosby and R. H. Burton; alternates, Edward Reisel and W. F. Whittlesey.

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How little can we know of the mighty future, and what it holds for us! When years ago, as modest little lads, we sat at the scarred desks in the country school, how little did we guess that we should grow up and fail to become famous!

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IMMORTALITY.

The immortality of the soul is one of the fundamental doctrines of the Christian religion, and of most pagan religions as well. It is a belief which comes to the seeker after God first of all, and which the skeptical soul will cling to, to the last. We have no clear and definite knowledge of what the condition of our souls will be after death. We believe that God will, in some way, recompense to every man according to his works, whether they be good or evil; but as to our exact status in that future life, we must simply wait to learn, trusting meanwhile in Him who ordereth all things well.

The first great thing for us to accept is the belief in a future life. If this brief existence were all there is for us, it would hardly be worth the living. On the great sea of time, to appear for a moment like a bubble, to break and leave no trace the next, is a thought at which every soul recoils. If of this life only we have hope, we surely are most miserable. Short though the span of life may be, we believe it to be part of God's plan in our development and preparation for a higher existence.

The Christian religion stands for the immortality of the soul, the great philosophers of the past have stood for it, and almost every man in his own heart believes in some sort of a future existence. It is an instinctive belief

James Freeman Clark, writing of The Hereafter, has said, "The vast majority of mankind has always believed in a future existence. So the Egyptians believed—as the monuments and papyri show—forty centuries ago. Such has been the faith of all the great religions, Buddhism not excepted; also of savage tribes; . . . of sages—like Socrates, Plato, Goethe and Emerson. This belief has not come from argument, or reasoning. . . . but from an inborn instinct . . . If man has an instinct looking to a future life, and there is no future life provided for him, this is a solitary exception to a rule otherwise universal."

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The voice of nature loudly cries,
And many a message from the skies,
That something in us never dies.
—Robert Burns.

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TEMPERANCE PROGRESS.

The friends of temperance are pleased at the prospect of a higher license fee in this state. Complete prohibition may be better, if it is possible to enforce prohibitory laws, but if we can't prohibit the business of rum-selling entirely, then let us be thankful for every new restrictive measure. So long as the cause of temperance is progressing, the advocates of entire prohibition can be hopeful that their ideal may some day be realized.

A word of praise is due our present County Commissioners. North Main street, in the opinion of our police, who surely are in a position to know, was a fouler spot, morally, than could be found anywhere else in this city, the "East Side" not excepted. Most of the saloons which line that thoroughfare had the worst possible reputation, and were frequented by women whose evil character was well known to the police—a class of women who still swarm in that locality.

Prosecuting Attorney Gates, backed by a number of remonstrants, made an effective plea before the commissioners, and as a result several of the worst saloons on North Main street have been closed, as well as those on Spruce street and some on Wells and Front streets, and also the bar of the long notorious Adams House on Albany avenue.

It was a gratifying result all around, excepting to the saloon keepers, and great credit is due the commissioners for their decisions.

A smaller matter, but yet of some importance, perhaps, is the proposed law prohibiting the manufacture and sale of brandy drops. While the amount of alcohol contained in these confections is not large, it is possible by them to cultivate a liking for larger doses, and it is therefore hoped that the proposed law may pass.

So while the Carrie Nation crusade has been temporarily suppressed in Kansas, we in Connecticut and Hartford, are gratified to witness progress along temperance lines; and, on the whole, consider that the methods adopted in "the land of steady habits" are preferable in the long run to the more forcible methods recently obtaining in Kansas.

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"In appearance," says the Scientific American, "the beer-drinker may be the picture of health, but in reality he is most incapable of resisting disease. A slight injury, a severe cold, or a shock to the body or mind will commonly provoke acute diseases ending fatally. Compared with inebriates who use different kinds of alcohol, he is more incurable and more generally diseased."

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MISSIONARY WORK IN PORTO RICO.

Some time ago the American Missionary Association sent Dr. Beard, senior secretary of the association, and Rev. E. S. Teal, a member of its executive committee, to Porto Rico to investigate the missionary and educational work thus far established there by Americans, and the oportunities for its future development. Following is an extract from their report, which will be laid before the coming annual meeting of the association, in Boston: "The need of the island is a general hospital, equipped with modern appliances. Here is a chance for some benevolently disposed individual to build an institution that would do a vast amount of good. A hospital could be built and equipped at a comparatively small expense. Miss Atkins, connected with the Presbyterian mission at San Juan, has twenty-four to forty calls a day from patients who need hospital treatment, many of whose lives are lost because of the lack of it. The Presbyterian mission, under the wise generalship of Dr. John M. Green; the Methodist mission, led by Dr. Drees; the Baptist and Episcopal missions, conducted respectively by Drs. McCormick and Van Buren, are doing excellent service in educational lines. Their Sunday and weekday ser-

vices are crowded with curious and interested listeners. The Congregationalists, through the American association, have two excellent schools, at Santurce and Lares and are doing as thorough work in education as is done by any schools on the island. There is a distinct and emphatic call for a large central boarding school of the higher grade, with normal and industrial departments. The Congregationalists are also conducting evangelistic work under Dr. Edwards in Fajardo and Humacao, cities in the eastern part of the island. The outlook for industrial, educational and religious quickening is encouraging. During the past two years great advances have been made."

DRINKING FOUNTAIN.

The Christian Endeavor societies at the North end have united in an effort to establish an ice water fountain at City Hall square. This is surely a true branch of Christian endeavor and we wish all success to the effort. Why not get together, South end Endeavorers, and young Christians generally, and see that ice water is provided at the South park; and young people of the West end, why not supply this long felt want at Union station.

Here's a chance for good practical Christian work which has been too long overlooked.

The orders from police headquarters to put a stop to all Sunday baseball playing will be appreciated by most of our citizens.

Miss Fanny Crosby's recent reception at Fourth church attracted a large audience who were glad to see and hear this famous blind writer of hymns. Miss Crosby has written over 3,500 hymns, many of which have attained world wide reputation.

The International Court of Arbitration will meet, for its initial session, in May. Already fourteen cases have been submitted to it, the first, which will be historic, being the dispute between Roumania and Bulgaria as to territorial rights on the Danubian boundary.

Congressman Taylor of Ohio, will earn for himself a monument taller than that on Bunker Hill if he succeeds in his avowed purpose of securing a uniform divorce law which will do away with forty-five-second divorces and legalized bigamy.—Christian Endeavor World.

When President Hadley of Yale said that unless we can develop in this country a sentiment which, regardless of legislation, can regulate the trusts, we shall have an emperor at Washington in twenty-five years, he pointed out the real imperialism, the monarchy of money.

BUSINESS AND PLEASURE.

Landlord of Hotel—May I ask you, sir, what that coil of rope is in your bedroom?

Guest—That is a new patent fire escape. I always carry it, so that in case of fire I can let myself down from the hotel window.

"I see. Our terms for guests with fire escapes, sir, are invariably cash in advance."—Stray Stories.

THE GUADALUPE COMPANY.

Such ore as is exhibited by the Guadalupe Milling and Mining company at its office should be sufficient to interest the most skeptical.

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"Pardon me for asking you, madam," said the Rev. Dr. Goodman, making a friendly call upon the family who had moved into the neighborhood, "but have you any church connection?" "My, yes," answered the smiling matron, "two of my cousins are Baptist preachers, and my aunt married a Methodist class-leader."

Wanted: A party with a capital of $5,000; for general supply, commission, shipping and receiving depot and store, at a shipping point in Arizona, separate and yet in connection with the Guadalupe Mining and Milling company. For particulars apply at company's office, Room 51, Sage-Allen building.

Messrs. C. R. Burr & Co., No. 80 Pearl street, Hartford, have shown much enterprise in building up their nursery business the past few years. Each year's business has shown a marked increase over the preceding year, and satisfied customers guarantee the permanence of the business already established. The nurseries are at New Canaan, Conn.

One of the best of the low priced wheels on the market this season is the "Indian," guaranteed for one year and sold for $25, at Ralph E. Page's hardware store, 419 Main street. Mr. Page also carries other lines of wheels, including the Spaulding, Columbia, Hartford and Nyack. Bicycle sundries and a repair shop are also features of Mr. Page's bicycle department.

As the observers drew near the scene Tommy Tucker, with flushed face and clenched fists, was confronting another boy and counting rapidly.

"I promised my mother," he said—"six, seven eight—I'd never get into a fuss with any other feller—nine, ten, 'leven, twelve—till I'd counted twenty-five—thirteen, fourteen — you dirty-faced, ugly, mean, curly-toothed scrub—fifteen, sixteen, seventeen, eighteen—I can lick you in two seconds, and you know it—nineteen, twenty, twenty-one—you're nothing but a low-down—twenty-two, twentythree, twenty-four, twenty-five—" Biff. And the fight was on.

Messrs. Olmsted and Ziegler, formerly G. N. Olmsted, No. 182 Pearl street, have in stock a fine line of new wheels at all prices. They have recently taken the agency for the Thomas Autobi, which is well worth a careful inspection.

Now is the time for spring planting. A large line of nursery stock can be found at W. E. Wallace's, Farmington Ave. Make your own selection, and if you wish, Mr. Wallace will furnish a man to do the planting. Among seasonable suggestions are Evergreens, Rhododendrons, Azaleas, Cannas, Vines, etc. Bear in mind that the season is a little late this year, and it will be several days yet before the planting season is over.

Mr. A. H. Pomeroy, besides his usual full line of bicycles, is now selling the Columbia and Hartford wheels. A full line of bicycle sundries, golf sticks, etc., can be obtained at the store, No. 98 Asylum street.

Messrs. Seidler and May, 306 to 318 Pearl street, makers and sellers of fine furniture, have now in stock for the summer trade a full line of refrigerators, lawn swings, piazza chairs, etc. Call and make a selection.

Mr. P. J. Breen, 1066 and 1068 Main street, has in stock a large assortment of monuments and head stones, which can be lettered and set up before Decoration Day, if ordered at once. Mr. Breen's prices are very low and satisfactory workmanship is guaranteed.

In twenty minutes $6.45 was raised by the Union Park Congregational Endeavorers to send a treat of fruit to sixty patients in the county hospital.

HARTFORD UNION NOTES.

The April meeting of the union was held with the Fourth Congregational church society Friday evening, April 26, 1901.

The weather of the previous week had a very depressing effect upon the attendance and it was to be regretted as good speakers were on hand with interesting topics. Praise service opened the meeting, followed by prayer by Rev. H. H. Kelsey.

Miss Lillian Ross favored the union with a contralto solo, well rendered and next was the first speaker of the evening, Rev. T. M. Hodgdon, who addressed us on "Twentieth Century Churches." Mr. Frank H. Bosson, an energetic worker in the Fourth church, spoke on "Twentieth Century Citizenship," and his address showed careful preparation. The main address of the evening was "Twenty Years of Christian Endeavor" and "Twentieth Century Christian Endeavor Societies." Rev. F. M. Hollister of Danbury very willingly and ably took the foregoing topic, at short notice and made it a very interesting one, even if he was obliged to prepare in the short space of three days. Many thanks are due him for so kindly helping us out. The meeting closed with a benediction.

The central section of the Hartford Christian Endeavor union will hold a meeting, followed by a social, on Friday evening, May 24, at the Glenwood Congregational church on Laurel street. The subject planned is "Do Something for Somebody." All Endeavorers, whether of the above specified section or not, are cordially invited to meet with us..

President Henry O. Goslee visited the Glenwood Congregational society Sunday evening, May 12.

The secretary of the union is planning to visit the societies comprising the union in the near future, for the purpose of becoming better acquainted with the workers, for truly "we are workers together in God's vineyard."

The directors' meeting will be held shortly to plan for our June meeting. Make an especial effort to be on hand.

Sin may be in the Christian, but it is no longer on him.

The only spot in the universe where sins can be laid is Calvary.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS.

(From the Presbyterian C. E. Manual.)

May 19—A Nameless Girl Heroine—2 Kings 5:1-4.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

The smallest position gives great opportunities.

There are none too lowly to be helpful.

The homesick lass showed true helpfulness in her unselfishness.

The captive proved her religion by her conduct.

Faith finds rewards for others as well as for itself.

As we serve men we get opportunities to serve God also.

This little lass was loyal both to her master and to her God.

May 26 — Missions: Promises and Prophecies—Ps. 2.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

Three sure things:

The world is lost without Christ.

The world's greatest needs can be met only by Christ.

The world will ultimately be won to Christ.

Three obligations:

Christians are to love all men as Christ loved them.

We are to live and sacrifice for their sakes as he did.

We are to speak to them the truth he has given us in trust.

June 2—How to Get Rid of Sin—1 John 1:5-10.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

The old man is ever falling into new sins.

We must have Christ in us before we can get sin out of us.

We need a new nature before we can get rid of the old sins.

Hatred of sin is one proof of love for Christ.

Sin's sway can be broken only by the sinless Saviour.

Sin must be vitally real to us before we can know our need of a Saviour.

June 9—How to Enter Christ's Family—Matthew 12:46-50.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

We become sons of God by accepting Christ, our Elder Brother.

God's children are known by their family resemblance.

We become aliens by repudiating our Father.

Obedience is the door to fellowship.

We cannot be at home with God if we are at enmity with our brethren.

We all are wandering children until Christ leads us home.

Our relation to Christ is proved by our relation one to another. John 13: 35.

ADDITIONAL CHURCHES.

EAST HARTFORD, SOUTH CONGREGATIONAL.

We were all surprised when Rev. Mr. Bacheler handed in his resignation after the morning service on Sunday, April 28. To those who have come to know him, and especially to those who have grown up under his ennobling influence, it came as a shock. During his nine years among us, he has helped many to a better life and among his congregation there are none who have not a warm place in their hearts for our pastor. A church meeting was called Friday evening, May 3, for the purpose of taking action upon his resignation and it was unanimously voted, both by the members of the church and afterwards by the congregation, to ask Mr. Bacheler to withdraw his resignation. A committee of three waited upon him at the parsonage and brought him into the meeting. After being informed of the vote of the church, he withdrew his resignation, very much to the satisfaction of those present.

Next Friday evening the boys of our church are to give a drama for which they have nicely prepared themselves. They are to be assisted by Miss Hall, Mr. Palmer and Mr. Eaton. Admission is 10 and 15 cents.

The drama to be given by the older members is to be given some time in the near future. It will be a success, no doubt.

The only daughter of the king of Wurtemberg, Princess Pauline, always dresses particularly plainly and modestly.

A few years ago, when taking a walk in the park at Ludwigsburg, she was not recognized by the sentinel, who did not present arms.

A sergeant, some distance away, at once made signs to the trooper to call his attention to the fact that the princess was passing.

The sentinel, not understanding the signs, and thinking he was rendering a service to his superior, called out to the princess: "I say, miss, the sergeant over there wants to speak to you!"—C. E. World.

MISSIONARY NOTES.

An example of heroic self-forgetfulness is set by a Dutch Endeavor society in Craddock, Cape Colony. Within thirty miles of the fighting line, they have been much disturbed by the war spirit, but have divided the town into districts, each of which is in charge of a member. Every home is visited with a view to discovering and supplying its physical and spiritual needs.

The Juniors of the Korean society started by Dr. and Mrs. Clark last year prove their earnestness by speaking of Jesus to the native women while washing. One talked to a woman that came to her home with salt for sale, and another to a seller of dyes.

The noonday evangelistic meetings at the recent Michigan State Christian Endeavor convention, Port Huron, brought out hundreds of workingmen from the shops to the night sessions of the convention. The outlook for a revival was so hopeful that the pastors determined to follow up the convention with an evangelistic campaign.

Moonlight evangelistic trips are popular with Australian Endeavorers. A drag-full and a trap-load from North Adelaide drove through the bleak wind to Northfield to hold evangelistic services. It was too chilly to hold an open-air service, but they found a shelter and went to work.

A Bible was sent to a soldier of the Ninth regiment, United States army, by the Church of the Covenant Juniors, Washington, D. C., and was received just as the regiment was ordered from the Philippines to China. A prompt and hearty acknowledgment was returned.

Dr. Hillis has inaugurated a new Sunday-evening plan. He holds a reception in the church parlors after the sermon, serving refreshments, and providing a singing and social intercourse for the homeless young men of his congregation, and others that wish to remain. This plan will doubtless be criticized by some as tending to secularize the day, but we believe it is prompted by the spirit of Christ in Plymouth Church, leading it to put itself into sympathetic touch with those that need just such a friendly, brotherly touch as this.

Fifty dollars has recently been received by Treasurer Antoinette P. Jones, Falmouth, Mass., for furnishing two rooms in the Christian Endeavor Seaman's Home, Nagasaki, Japan. One is to be in memory of the late Rev. Henry Martin Tupper, by his daughter, and the other will be named after A. J. Swanberg, one of the floating Endeavorers on the Charleston who helped to start the home.

Dr. Paton's bill for the protection of the Pacific islands against our whiskey and firearms had a majority in Congress of 117 votes against 80, and would have carried if it had not been under a special order requiring a two-thirds vote. Victory for it at the next session is assured if the Christian forces of this country will in the meantime let their representatives know their earnest desires in the matter.

In the English town of Wigan, on a recent Sunday evening, a census was taken of the number of persons visiting the 315 saloons between 7.30 and 8.30 o'clock. It was found to be 25,021. Even on the next Sunday night, between the same hours, the attendance at the saloons was 12,910, while there were present at the same time in the sixty-six churches of the town 10,554 persons, of whom only 3,228 were men.

Mr. Conger has affirmed his authority for all the looting done by the Rev. Mr. Ament. For once in his life Mark Twain is in a predicament from which a joke won't save him. Nothing but the manliness with which the daily press has made amends will meet his case.—C. E. World.

The Hutchinson, Kan., local Christian Endeavor union decided that ballots were better saloon smashers than hatchets. They organized a law-enforcement movement, and have just elected a Christian,citizenship, nonpartizan ticket, over the old parties.

Suppose an army should send out an advance guard of its leading officers—generals, colonels, picked men, brilliant and experienced campaigners. Not all of them together would win a battle unless backed by the common, plodding, infantry, cavalry and artillery. So it is of no advantage for the army of the Lord to send skilled workers to the frontier or to foreign lands unless the humblest Christians at home are ready to back them up with money and prayers.

A GIRL'S BEST COUNSELOR IS HER FATHER.

"Trust your father's judgment of your men friends rather than your own at first," writes Helen Watterson Moody to girls, in the Ladies' Home Journal. "The gay, witty, responsive young man who will probably most attract you, will not be the one who will be likely to have his serious consideration and respect. Talk over your men friends with your father, and see what healthy, unemotional, sane, 'man-standards' he will set up for you. I really think if a girl could have but one counselor in her love affairs, it would better be her father than any one else. A man's mind is a great tonic to the somewhat diluted intellect of a girl in her first sentimental experiences."

TEMPERANCE NOTES.

The saloon is an evil. It may be deemed a necessary evil by those who feel bound to apologize for it; but it can have no defenders. Even where it is licensed, protected by law, under restrictions which narrow its iniquities to moderate and expedient vice, the saloon, personified by its devotees, may be characterized by no adjective more flattering than miscreant. At its highest estate it is an outlaw, and the greatest legal distinction the saloon has achieved after a century of fighting for statutory recognition is to be branded generically by the United States Supreme Court as a nuisance. Its purposes are all venal. It is in business to promote violence and crime; to injure the public health; to dissipate the public wealth in taxes that support the criminal court; to burden our charities; to corrupt the civic morals. The saloon is incarnate calamity. Because its work is slow and indirect, people often fail to see how it kills and maims men and tortures women like a malicious spirit.—William Allen White, in the Saturday Evening Post.

Somebody did a golden deed;
Somebody proved a friend in need;
Somebody sang a beautiful song;
Somebody smiled the whole day long;
Somebody thought "'Tis sweet to live"
Somebody said "I'm glad to give;
Somebody fought a valiant fight;
Somebody lived to shield the right,
Was that somebody you?
—Selected.

An organ has just been sent to the mission of Rev. C. H. McCormick, Rio Piedras, Porto Rico, by the Haddonfield, N. J., Baptist Endeavorers.

The great nations have combined to suppress the slave trade. Is it too much to ask that they shall combine to prevent the sale of spirits to men who less than our children have acquired the habits of self-restraint? If we must have "consumers," let us give them an innocent diet.—Benjamin Harrison, at the Ecumenical Missionary Conference.

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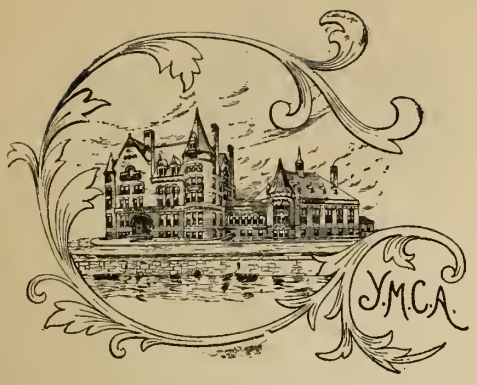

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The coming Jubilee convention of the Young Men's Christian Association to be held at Boston June 11-16 is attracting great attention at this time. It is thought that a large delegation of Hartford men will attend. It will be one of the greatest religious gatherings of men in the history of the United States, and will commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the Young Men's Christian Associations of this country. There will be a large attendance of prominent men from all parts of the country and from Europe.

The Association is now entering upon its summer work and the physical department will be active as usual in outdoor sports. The lot adjoining the building is being put in shape for running, jumping, baseball, pole vaulting, shot putting, etc. The interest in wheeling and baseball will be very active.

It is the intention of the management to keep the religious work active during the summer. Arrangements will be made for holding men's gospel services every Sunday in some place to be decided upon in the next few weeks. During the latter part of May there will be a conference of committees of the Association with Mr. Don O. Shelton, representing the religious work department of the international committee. Mr. Shelton is a young man who has accomplished great things in the building up of the religious side of the Association work and has given special emphasis during the last year to the development of the interest in Bible study.

The Association has been able to close its fiscal year, April 30, with all current obligations provided for. The management feel highly gratified at this result. It is the more remarkable because of the numerous changes in the secretarial force during the year. This naturally interfered largely with the usual efforts put forth in the early part of the year to raise the amount of the budget. On the first of January the board faced the proposition of providing over $5,000 for work already done beside the expenses for the remaining four months of the year. The friends of the Association responded so generously to the call for help that the above happy result was reached. The board of management are now considering plans for raising the mortgage debt of $24,000. They feel that the time has come when this encumbrance should be removed. The work is in a vigorous, healthy state and the outlook for a large development in the near future was never better.

The anniversary of the Association was celebrated on last Sunday, the 12th inst., with simultaneous services in eighteen of the city churches. Great good is expected to result from this observance of the day.

Mr. Willard E. Brown, who for over two years has been associated with the work for boys, retired on the 1st of May. Mr. W. E. Hoffman, assistant physical director of the Bridgeport Association, has been secured to assist in the summer work for the boys from May 15 to September 1. A summer camp will be held for the junior department some time in July. The enlarged junior work will be opened about September 15 when the entire basement floor of the Association building will be devoted to that department. The board of management are expecting to secure a competent man to direct that work, who will enter upon his new duties about September 1.

Mr. Norman P. Work, who for many years has been identified with the educational department, also retired May 1 and his place will not be filled for the present. The work of the Hillyer Institute will be as vigorously prosecuted in the future as it has been in the past and it is even hoped to enlarge this important phase of the work.

WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

At the last meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, the president read Mr. Charles M. Sheldon's pathetic little tale, "Who killed Joe's baby?"

The evil of the drink traffic is deeper than the mere drinking. There seems to be a growing conviction in the minds of thoughtful people, that all who make the drink, those who make anything pertaining to its sale or use, or in any way, even the most indirect help in the downfall of our weak brothers, are, themselves responsible. Life is a complicated problem and "no man liveth unto himself."

The story is told of a decorator of this city who at one time refused to contract for a large job of work to be done in a saloon. He would have no part in the ruination of his fellowmen, even one that seemed so indirect as that.

Mr. Sheldon in one of his later stories, even points out the criminality of transportation and express companies in allowing so many barrels and cases of the deadly stuff to be handled by their men, and to receive pay for the thing. There is at least food for thought in all this.

THE SHELTER.

The past month has been an eventful one in the Home. Miss Halstead, who for nearly nine years has superintended the work, has been obliged, on account of illness, to retire temporarily. After a much needed rest, it is expected that she will again take up her chosen work, which has been made a blessing unto many under her wise and faithful management.

At present Mrs. Nottingham and Mrs. Ramsdell are giving their attention to the work of the Home. Miss Hadley, who for several years was the assistant matron, is expected soon to take charge until Miss Halstead's return.

A much needed addition to the building has just been completed, thereby enlarging the room used for the clothing bureau, and adding to the efficiency of this important and growing department.

WOMEN'S WORK NOTES.

A large fortune was given away by the Baron and Baroness De Hirsch. The baroness, in a large measure prompted the baron to his remarkable benefactions to the Jews, and after his death the baroness disposed of a large portion of the fortune left to her by the baron. Sara K. Bolton, the biographer, speaks of the character and work of the Baroness Clara De Hirsch in the June number of The Delineator. This is the last of a series of six articles by Mrs. Bolton on women givers and their gifts.

Ambition to achieve has saved many a man and woman from an early grave. From a health point of view a definite purpose in life, something which the mind is bent on accomplishing, is a factor which is too rarely considered. The will-power which holds one to a set task sometimes wards off physical weakness and weariness better than the drug or medicine which the physician prescribes. "I must accomplish this before I die," has been the expressed purpose of more than one of the world's great workers.—A. S. Atkinson, in the May Woman's Home Companion.

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MUSIC NOTES.

On the repetition of his cantata, Mr. Camp gained new compliments for his efforts in furnishing something new and original. This gentleman has the honor of being the only organist in Hartford who has brought out a work of such proportions during the past year. With orchestral parts provided, and a good orchestra, Mr. Camp will find new honors coming his way, if he will again produce the work.

Mr. Loveland has done good work in behalf of church music this year, and so has Mr. Lord, of the Hill church.

On Sunday evening, May 5, Mr. Lord gave a cantata by Stainer, at the Hill church. Organist, solo singers and chorus are all deserving of more than a simple compliment, and something further will be said concerning this service in the next number of The Review.

Mr. Phelps at the North church is as busy as ever. Mr. Wentworth at Unity church is active, and Mr. Gallup at the South church still finds time to assist the Rev. Parker.

Mr. Allen at the Center church has recovered from his sickness, and his many friends are enjoying the Sunday afternoon vesper service of song as usual.

"EASY PIECES."

F. S. Law.

After leaving the primary grades it is singular what a distaste many music-students develop for the word "easy." Generally, the less fit they are to cope with difficult music, the more offended they are to have given them what is known as an "easy piece."

A celebrated teacher used to tell his pupils that there was no such thing as an easy piece; that everything was difficult to play well. His advice, which can hardly be improved upon, was to play easy pieces as though they were hard, and hard pieces as though they were easy. It really takes a master to play an easy piece. When Rosenthal puts on his program Schumann's little "Slumber Song"; when Rubinstein did not find it beneath his dignity to play the same master's one-paged "Warum" in public, the boarding-school miss who disdains anything less than the "Moonlight Sonata" may well consider the error of her ways and cultivate a little becoming modesty. If she but knew it, the so-called easy piece, well-played, is far more impressive, musically and technically, than the imperfect playing of a difficult composition, no matter how long and intricate.

"You give me such easy pieces," complained a pupil to her teacher. "They why don't you play them better?" was the crushing rejoinder. ter?" was the crushing rejoinder.—Etude.

HEAR OPERA.

J. S. Van Cleve.

Every musician and every music student should hear opera. We will find the opera a powerful stimulant, and, in fact, there is no substitute for it. Opera is not Wagnerian music-drama exclusively; both the French and the Italians have, through a long process of orderly evolution, perfected forms of quasi-dramatic, quasi-lyric art which do conform to the canons of the science of the beautiful, which is called by the alarming title, "esthetics."

No student should go to the opera merely to find bits of melody or harmony which may be adapted to the favorite instrument, or to whet the critical or, more accurately, the fault-discovering faculty; but for one high and noble purpose, a purpose too often obscured in mists or wholly lost sight of, and that is to warm and nourish the imagination. The opera comes under the head of composite art; that is to say, it makes a many-sided appeal to our nature, and therefore has a widening, as well as a stimulating effect. Add to this the remembrance that thousands of the most gifted musicians have lavished their best inspirations upon the operatic form, and it will be apparent why this product of man's esthetic nature, the grand opera, is so valuable to all who love and cultivate the art.

When making the appropriations for your year's expenses, do not forget the important claims of the lyric stage. To know nothing of Mozart's opera, "The Magic Flute," is made a subject of ridicule in Goethe's poem, "Hermann and Dorothea," and certainly the professed student of the art, who is innocent of such acquaintance with the charmed realm created by such an army of geniuses, is to be laughed at, and pitied, too.—Etude.

THE CAUSE OF BALDNESS.

The hair of the head was evidently intended by nature as a protection to the delicate brain substance, and it would no doubt answer this purpose admirably if it were given the opportunity, as we see it perversely do in the case of savages, football-players and others who need such protection little.

It is generally supposed that baldness, like gray hair, is a necessary accompaniment of advancing age, but this is only because the older a man is the more time he has had to neglect and abuse his hair, and so the more likely he is to have lost it.

Some men are more prone to baldness than others, because of thinness of the scalp, which interferes with the proper blood-supply to the hair roots. This is often a family failing; but in such cases baldness might be prevented or postponed for many years by care. In a few instances the hair falls out as a result of some special disease, but for the great majority of men there is absolutely no reason why, if properly treated, the hair should not last as long as the man.

The chief cause of baldness is pressure by the hat, which constricts the blood-vessels and so interferes with the nutrition of the hair bulbs. It is probable, also, that the shutting off of light and air by the hat helps the mischief. An unhealthy condition of the scalp results, the sign of which is a plentiful amount of dandruff.

There are many facts which go to prove the truth of this opinion. In the first place, women rarely become bald. They wear hats, it is true, but their hats are not air-tight casings, nor do they make pressure round the head like a man's hat. Then baldness is almost unknown among savages, who wear no hats, and is comparatively uncommon with men in the tropics, where very light hats are worn.

Laborers are less prone to baldness than professional and business men. This has led to the belief that brain-work favors baldness by withdrawing blood from the scalp, but this is only self-flattery on the part of those who advance the theory. Laborers generally wear soft felt hats or caps, which are apt to be pushed to the back of the head, so that the scalp gets plenty of light and air.

As further proof, we find that the baldest men usually have sufficient hair at the back and on the sides of the head below the hat line.

The inference is plain—wear a soft hat or none at all. If custom forbids this, then the best a city man can do is to wear his hat as little as possible, and never to keep it on in the house or office.—Youth's Companion.

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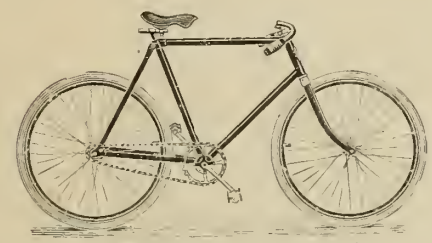

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The latest development not only corroborates this, but the richness of the ore, increasing with depth, bears testimony to the conditions apparent in all mines in this section of Arizona viz.: that with depth the richest ore is found, where veins from the first are as well pronounced as in the Anti-Cleveland lode.

In addition to this, while the Company has abundance of water at the mill and near the mine, the mine itself is free from it, thus saving expense of pumping and pumping machinery.

The veins occur in granite walls of great firmness, hence do not need timbering, except in the main hoisting shafts, thus saving much outlay in that direction.

From the foregoing, it is evident that while the Company has a good business proposition from the start, without the usual mining risk, the features of a bonanza are so pronounced as to be almost assured.

This possession of a lode full of rich gold ore having been substantiated through a most critical examination of the property by a competent Hartford man, it remains to demonstrate why the results claimed can be obtained, and how they are assured to the stockholders.

Assays from all parts of the lode range in values from $22.37 to $571.00 per ton. Ore milled from five shafts yielded gold in bullion returns of $20.00 to $85.00 per ton. The Company milled 221 tons of refuse ore, with an average yield of $9.40 per ton.

By taking the lowest assay value of $22.37 and the lowest mill return of $9.40, an average of $15.88 is obtained. From this deduct cost of mining and milling, $7.50, and the net profit remaining is $8.38 per ton.

Upon the basis of this small profit remarkable results are obtained.

These results are secured to stockholders by the following provisions: The officers of the Company, competent to superintend their respective departments, are at the same time stockholders.

It is therefore to their own interest and profit to make the stock productive.

To this end they have agreed to work for nominal salaries (less than a good mechanic's wages) until the stock produces and pays regular dividends.

As a guarantee of the above, and to bind them to work successfully, as well as to furnish more capital should the amount now raised not be enough, 400,000 shares have been deposited with a Trustee, to remain in his hands until the mine is on a dividend-paying basis. The deeds and all the other important papers are in the hands of a Trustee in Hartford (and herein lies the difference between this and other mining enterprises).

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Received this day of Edw. A. Meysenburg, President, Guadalupe Mining and Milling Company, for safe keeping and in trust for the company and its stockholders, as follows:

A. For safe keeping.

1. Articles of incorporation, with letter of Attorney General of Arizona authorizing the transaction of business.
2. By-laws of the Company.
3. Deeds to mine.
4. Deed to Mill and Mill site.
5. Plat of properties.
6. Letter of Mining Engineer and Metallurgist, Jno. C. F. Randolph of New York, endorsing Mr. Geo. U. Ingersoll, the Company's engineer at the Mine

B. In trust for stockholders:

7. Deposit of 400,000 shares of full-paid stock, as guarantee of good faith and of sufficiency of funds to be held until two dividends have been paid to stockholders out of Net earnings.
8. Agreement that no salaries shall be paid to any person not actually employed by the Company in producing results, and that until a dividend out of Net earnings has been paid no salary to any one officer shall exceed $2,000 per annum.

(Signed) H. M. Andrews.

LITERARY DEPARTMENT

The author of "The Workers," Mr. Wyckoff, will tell in the May Scribner's of a journey taken across Iowa during the harvest season when work was plenty and laborers were few. The life depicted has a great deal of the charm of George Borrow.

The Century for May is a Travel number. Without leaving his fireside —or window-seat—the reader may voyage in imagination from China to Nepaul, from Asia Minor to Italy, and from France to America by way of England.

That monthly mirror of the world's news, the Review of Reviews, covers in its May issue a great variety of current political and industrial topics, including the recent municipal elections, the Cuban and Philippine situations, the relations of labor to the new steel trust, the threatened war between Russia and Japan, and England's enormous war taxation.

An interesting question is raised by a writer in Cassell's Little Folks for May. "Can Animals Cry?"

Senator O. H. Platt, of Connecticut, chairman of the Senate committee on relations with Cuba, and author of the much discussed Platt amendment, sums up the entire Cuban question and its solution in the May World's Work. This paper of Senator Platt's is of great national and permanent significance, for it gives the cue for the United States' ultimate settlement, not only with Cuba, but with all the possessions left us by the Spanish war.

Modern Culture for May is a magazine for nature-lovers. "An Ohio May Time" by Austin Matlack Courtenay is a dainty bit of spring poetry full of the rhythmic music of the May.

The Philadelphia Saturday Evening Post has been running a series of interesting "nature stories" by W. A. Fraser.

Garcilaso. By J. Breckinridge Ellis. 394 pages, 12mo. Chicago: A. C. McClurg & Co. Price $1.25.

This is a story of the Spaniard's seige of Granada. Its general tone reminds one of "Don Quixote" and yet it is very different. "Gracilaso de la Vega, Lord of Bratras," tells the story of one of the many notable episodes of his career. He is most unconsciously conceited, but his egotism is delightful and while he talks on interestingly enough about himself, one comes to overlook his conceit and sees a character revealed which is one to praise in many respects. The author has done this self-revelation of character in a wholly admirable way.

Garcilaso falls in love with a beautiful maiden. He is a devout Catholic. He learns that she is a heretic—a Vaudois, and thereafter he is tortured by conflicts 'twixt love and duty, as he sees it.

He comes into the hands of the Inquisition and suffers there, he is in fights and duels, and he lands with Columbus on the shores of "India."

The local color, the conversations and the history are made to harmonize in a remarkable degree. The story is fascinating and is a noteworthy addition to the best contemporary fiction.

Elbert Hubbard and His Work. By Albert Lane. 154 pages, crown 8vo. Worcester, Mass.: Albert Lane, publisher. Price $1.50.

Few who have followed literary history in the last half-dozen years have not heard of Elbert Hubbard, of the Roycroft Shop, in East Aurora, N. Y., where is published every little while "The Philistine." Mr. Hubbard was a successful stock breeder in that town. He began to take a paternal interest in the village and its inhabitants, and he inaugurated a work that resembles in many respects that of William Morris in England.

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He founded the Roycroft Shop and from it proceeded the bright little magazine named above. From it also came beautifully devised, artistically illuminated, well selected books, statuary, beautiful work in iron, etc.

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The Curious Career of Roderick Campbell. By Jean N. McIlwraith. Crown, 8vo. Boston: Houghton, Mifflin & Co. Price $1.50.

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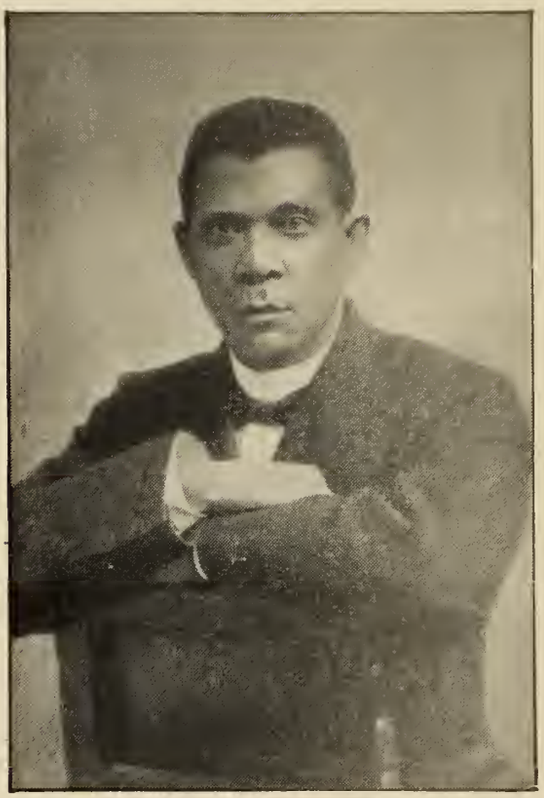
The book is illustrated by excellent drawings, one of which, "Stopping here and there to fish," is especially artistic and worthy of praise.

The Future of the American Negro. By Booker T. Washington. 254 pages, 12mo. Boston: Small, Maynard & Co. Price $1.50.

In this book the author yields, as he says in his preface, "to the oft-repeated request that I put in some more definite form the ideas regarding the Negro and his future, which I have expressed many times on the public platform, and through the public press and magazines." A brief history of the race in America, and its present condition, and theories for bettering the condition, as worked out in practice at the Tuskegee school, make up the book.

In limited space full justice can not be done to this work. It may be enough to say of it that it is lucid, interesting and convincing, and proves the author's wisdom and practical foresight in many ways. One is impressed by the personality back of the words in this volume.

An excellent portrait of the author serves as a frontispiece to the book.



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Frontispiece of "The Future of the American Negro."
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The Conquest of London. By Dorothea Gerard. 321 pages, 12mo. New York: F. M. Buckles & Co. Price $1.25.

This is not, in any sense, a "war story." It relates an attempt, with comparatively small means, to conquer social London. The difficulties encountered in this questionable ambition are pictured with pathetic fidelity to what, it is presumed, are actual conditions.

The story is not of great literary merit, but is entertaining and most certainly and forcibly brings out a moral.

The Love Letters of Victor Hugo: 1820-1822. Translated by Elizabeth W. Latimer, with comments by Paul Meurice. 247 pages, crown 8vo. New York: Harper & Brothers. Price $3.00.

In reading through these impassioned love letters of the great author, one with a sensitive regard for the rights of confidences, will note particularly the young lover's frequent request that his letters be promptly destroyed. Evidently bad faith on the part of the recipient of the letters accounts for their coming into being as public property at this time.

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A Pillar of Salt. By Jennette Lee. 225 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Houghton, Mifflin & Co. Price $1.25.

A story of life in a New England factory town, of the passion of the inventor for working out his dream, of the opposition of his practical-minded wife, the machinations of an employer, and final triumph.

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The Romance of L'Aiglon. From the French of Carolus. Translated by J. Paul Wilson. 156 pages, 16mo. New York: Brentano's. Price $1.00.

This is a story of Napoleon Bonaparte's son, called 'L'Aiglon." ("The Eaglet"). It is a dramatic little romance, full of an infinite pathos, but not of very great literary consequence. The publishers have given it a setting that enhances its value greatly.

Making a Life. By Rev. Cortland Myers, D. D. 326 pages, 12mo. New York: The Baker & Taylor Co. Price $1.25.

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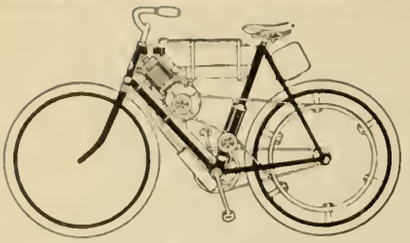

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THE CHURCH REVIEW

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DIVINE RECOMPENSE.

Calm follows storm on ocean's mighty breast,
And throes of earthquake tremble into rest;

For thankless labor or for anguish deep,
We find requital in the realm of sleep.

Loss is the shadow of approaching gain,
And buds of joy from bitter roots of pain

Into shy bloom, or radiant beauty, start,
Out of the worn waste places of the heart,

Until we feel, though none may understand,
Bitter and sweet come from the selfsame Hand.

—William Hamilton Hayne, in the Sunday School Times.

Force not thy upward growth, but first of all
Deepen thy roots, then mayst thou well sustain
The rays of sunlight that upon thee fall,
And, without withering, all thy strength retain.
Plants that have little else but leaf and flower,
However bright their hue, live but their little hour.

WHAT CHURCH MEMBERSHIP MEANS.

BY REV. HENRY H. KELSEY.

A church of Jesus Christ is a fellowship of believers whose faith, whose life and whose doctrine is founded on the apostles and the prophets, Christ Jesus being the chief corner stone. Membership in such a fellowship is the chief way by which Christian discipleship is confessed before the world. Church membership should therefore mean, first of all, a Christian experience. By this I do not mean that one should have felt any particular set of emotions. I rather mean by a Christian experience a subjective certitude of one's discipleship. If any person knows that he sincerely trusts in Jesus Christ as Saviour and submits his will and life to Christ as Lord, he has the best reason in the world for knowing that he is a Christian. This is the experience which fits one for that confession of Christ which is required in admission into the membership of the church.

Christians in the church and those who seek admission into the church should clearly hold these two conceptions, viz: that we trust in the Saviour to receive from Him forgiveness, grace and full salvation, and that we yield ourselves to Him as Lord, to whom we give homage and the loyal service of our lives. Church membership should therefore mean a recognition of the Lordship of Christ, and of the fact that the Christian life is a service.

The condition of reception into the fellowship of disciples in the beginning was not doctrinal. It is not today. Churches that have creeds do not usually require assent to them, in these days, of those who are received into membership. The one condition is that of Christian experience.

Church membership, in the second place, should mean the honest keeping of a covenant. There are few churches, if any, whose members do not enter into a common covenant with each other. Whatever its specific requirements, these three things are implied in the obligation assumed:

1. Loyalty to the local church. This is a sentiment, but it is a very essential thing. What church can prosper whose members are not loyal in their attachment to their own church? They will be loyal to the denomination to which their church belongs, to its history and traditions, to its laws and customs. Such loyalty will not supersede loyalty to Christ, but it will be its expression. Where this sentiment exists and is cherished it will stimulate work for the welfare of the local church, a jealous regard for its honor, and a perpetual endeavor for its prosperity.

2. An honestly kept covenant implies also conscientious attendance upon the church services. The weakness of many churches and the difficulty experienced in their maintenance is due to the neglect on the part of a large proportion of the members in respect of church attendance. Here is a church which has 600 resident members Count the congregation on any given Sunday and deduct the number of strangers and non-members present. Often the difference between the number who have covenanted to attend that church and the number present will be astonishing. Some churches are now keeping an accurate account of attendance at the communion. It is in some instances a revelation. It is no wonder that churches do not grow. Their own members do not attend their own church. I emphasize the word honesty in respect of the obligations of church members. If by specific promise or by implied obligation a church member has agreed, covenanted with God and with the church to do certain things, common honesty demands that these things be done. In most church covenants attendance is specified especially at the communion.

3. In the third place an honest keeping of a church covenant requires regular giving for the support of the church. In some churches the custom of securing the support of the church by the rental of the pews to those who are able and willing to pay for them, without bringing the obligation of giving definitely before every member, has educated the people away from this duty. If the obligation to give for missions has not in such cases been laid upon all, it is most unfortunate. The place in most lives where self-interest is strongest is in our use of money. Whether the duty of giving is mentioned in the church covenant or not, the vow of consecration to the Lord requires that money, whether we have little or much, should be used for Him.

To sum it all up, membership in the church should mean a genuine Christian experience, a practical recognition of the Lordship of Christ and the honest keeping of the specific obligations of the church covenant.

JERUSALEM OF TODAY.

No doubt there are minor drawbacks to one's pleasure in wandering about this strange Holy City (that seems so unholy), the smells, the blinding sun glare, the beggars, the lepers and the jostling crowds. Still I maintain that for one who has eyes to see and ordinary appreciation, these drifting promenades about Jerusalem (let us say with pugree and smoked glasses and something pleasant on the handkerchief) are a delight unvarying and a source of charming experiences.

To begin with, no one objects to your doing exactly as you please and going where you please (except within the sacred precincts of the Mosque of Omar); you are an effendi (a distinguished person) able to pay for what you want; you may therefore indulge your eccentricities. Will you climb upon a roof, or out upon an arch, or down into a cavern? Then hand out one or two piastres and the way is open. Will you visit some poor home and have its inmates marshalled forth for your inspection? Will you have them eat for you or sing for you? Give, give piastres and the thing shall be. Is there any queer place you would like to pray in, any lip-worn stone you would like to kiss? Give piastres and you shall be taken there, though it be at the pinnacle of a minaret. The fact is, they think you mad anyhow, the common people do; one of an army of mad pilgrims, who come here every year and spend their money; so you must do something very extravagant indeed if you will surprise them.

I remember my efforts to surprise a little Jew bootblack who used to station before our hotel in ragged, purple jacket a rather picturesque figure. One morning I snapped a picture of him and offered a metallic (less than a cent) in compensation. He promptly demanded half a franc. I went into the hotel, giving him nothing. That afternoon as my wife and I set out for a walk the little boy ran after us clamoring for his money. Again I offered him a metallic and again he refused it. We walked on, and he pursued us, crying: "Geeve halffranc," "Photograph," "Geeve Madame," and more in Arabic. We pretended not to notice him, but he whined on tirelessly at our heels. I got quite annoyed, told him to get out, vowed he should have nothing at all for his impudence, and finally threatened him with my umbrella. But there was no shaking him off, he knew I would not strike him, and kept steadily to his purpose, though he came down to "Geeve mateleek." Then my wife discovered a striking resemblance in him to a friend of ours in America. One scarcely expects to find a Jerusalem gamin looking like a New York lady, yet there it was, something in eyes or smile, quite unmistakable. I wondered I had not observed it sooner, and by some vicarious stirring, was on the point of giving him money when I saw the boy retreating; he had lost hope.

The next morning, without any urging I gave him two metallics, and he took them unconcernedly. The likeness to our friend being plainer now than ever, I dropped two extra metallics into his hand, and he jerked me a little salaam from his white skull cap; that was all. During the next two weeks I gave that purple-jacketed little rascal metallics on all occasions, and apropos of nothing at all.

There are cafes in Jerusalem—I mean none in the European sense, with tables and chairs and various things to drink and newspapers to read—but if you don't mind squatting on a cane stool about as large as a hat, and slapping your coffee in a sort of cellar room or under an awning on the public street, you can be accommodated with numberless Jerusalem cafes. There is a line of them outside the Jaffa gate, and several down David street, and some near the Holy Sepulchre. Excellent places these to study types and rest from the sun. The coffee, in Turkish style, out of a brass pot no larger than a dice-box, comes to you piping hot off the coals, and costs two cents a cup, which is twice what the natives pay.

These cafe groups, and the passing throng before them, you will study with wonder and will put to your dragoman endless questions about them. And his knowledge will be at once your admiration and despair. He will tell you at a glance all about anyone you point out. This man is a peasant from Siloam; he is a Christian and has just sold a load of barley. The man behind him comes from Ramleh, eight hours distant; he walked in this morning with his wife; there she is across the street buying nuts, that woman in blue. These three by the door are from a village beyond Bethlehem; two are Christians and the third a Moslem. They are concluding a bargain, see them slap their hands together and bind it. The old man in the white turban and blind in one eye (see the lemon leaf jump in his water bottle) is a Moslem from El Bireh, with grain to sell. There is his camel kneeling. Here come Bedouins with a donkey train; they live in black tents down Jericho way. The two girls passing them are gypsies from the Damascus gate; see their faces are uncovered; they are begging. Those fat men in pearl robes are rich Jews from Persia—there, coming out of the shop with the umbrellas. Those purple-shrouded women getting in the carriage are Moslems; the one in white, with a red-flowered veil and leading the little girl, is a Jewess; the one with a baby strapped on her back is an Ain Karim peasant come to meet her husband, who is at the mosque.

And so on until you wonder if the dragoman is not imposing on your credulity, for what he does seems no whit easier than to walk up Broadway and pick men out by callings and towns—an insurance agent from Bridgeport; a butcher from Poughkeepsie; a reporter hurrying to a fire. Yet ask anyone else if what he says is true; ask the people themselves and you will get the same information. It is absolutely true, though perhaps he had never set eyes on one of these people. He simply reads for you certain signs of face and dress that are plain as print to those Orientals, born and bred to an infinite curiosity about their neighbor's business and an amazing power of minute observation. They ought to make great detectives.

But you strive in vain for similar discernment and in vain make your dragoman explain in detail; then in greater detail how he does it. The simple deductions you can make; this man is a Jew with the ear-locks and furry hat; these strong, heavy turbaned fellows in sleeveless mantles that look like patched-up flour sacks, and brown legs bare from knees to sandals, are the farmers, the peasants (but some are Christians and some Moslems; these others with heads bundled in white and black, who lurk like bandits and are sometimes, are Bedouins, tent-dwellers, shepherds (but some are roving and some fixed). For all these things there are signs in the garments, for scores of villages there are signs. Can you remember what each separate twisting of a turban means, each change in its colors (white usually for Moslems, but there are exceptions; green for Mecca pilgrims, yet some deny it)? Can you get in your head the geography of ten kinds of widespread shoes and sandals and eight kinds of red and yellow boots laced with things in different ways, according to shoemakers' traditions? Can you ever hope to read the language of women's veils, the body-wrapping outer ones (usually white and loose-hung, but often colored and gathered at the waist,) and the thin ones over the face; Moslem veils, Christian veils, Jewish veils, Bethlehem veils, veils strung with coins and charms, veils from the Jordan and out of the mountains of Moab? Can you master the lore of girdles and sashes? Be sure you do not know these things and never will. As well might you try to take on the wisdom of a forest guide or a river pilot.

No; make your mind up to this, that you can never hope to understand these people or in any way be one of them. The language, to begin with, is an almost impassable barrier (even the missionaries speak it badly.) More hopeless still is the barrier of race. Their thoughts are not yours and cannot be; their code is not yours and will not be; their Christianity, even after you have converted them and built them chapels and given them hymn books and starched shirts is a very different thing from yours. Strangers you are and will remain.

After such contemplation you resume your wanderings, followed obediently by your dragoman with kodak things and green umbrella. Most of the streets go up and down in wide stone shelves of terraces, worn smooth in places by many feet. There are no sidewalks and you take your chances in the throng, ready to be upset by a hard-whipped donkey or spattered from a water skin. The ways are so narrow and the walls so high that you seem to be in a half subterranean region with only a lane of sky and sunlight overhead. And you have not always this, for the houses of Jerusalem bridge the streets in many places, as if the city had been built in a great honeycomb of masonry, and the streets cut and tunneled through afterwards as best might be. It is no uncommon thing to look ahead and see five gloomy archways opening one after another before you, with patches of light between. And there are streets that run under whole blocks of houses.

Studied then from its thoroughfares Jerusalm looks for all the world like a huge rambling fortress, with lighting towers and dungeon depths. On either hand, instead of lines of houses, you have formidable and continuous walls pierced with low doors and body-wide stairs and iron-caged windows. You cannot tell where one house begins and another leaves off, nor whether a certain opening leads to roof or courtyard or dwelling room. There is indeed one way to tell, that is to push boldly in and up along stairs and passages and see what you can see.

Whatever else you fail to do in Jerusalem (and you are sure to neglect half the guide book admonitions) do not fail to study the streets from overhead, as many of them as possible. You can al-

ways find a viewpoint by a little searching. Take Christian street about midday, when the sun lights both sides, and get your station on the arch near David street, no matter if you have to do some clambering. Now look to the north, there where the greenish dome and white minaret rise. You see a straight way along the base of a high wall, window-pierced, with a lower wall on the other side, its stones old and grass-grown. Below, you see two lines of flimsy awnings, tipped down like the visor of a cap, to shelter the booths beneath from the white glare. You see donkeys, camels, sheep, peasants, soldiers, Greek priests, sisters of charity, tourists, pilgrims, Turks, and all who live in Turkey, Syrians and all who visit Syria, veiled women, sheeted women and beggars (you will see them all if you wait a little) moving to and fro, now lost under the awnings, now coming into the open. You can follow them between two somber archways, the one that you are on and another, yonder where a cross wall stops your view. You can watch them until you tire.

And you will often stroll about in the bazaars, poor though they are, just to watch the booth-keepers and their customers, the same medley of types and costumes that you find at the cafes, but seen here in different effect under the gloomy arches, and in as much of action now as they know; a cross-legged cigarette-smoking action, but still something. What pictures there are in these bazaars if one could only get them! The shoemaker, the baker, the blacksmith, the umbrella-mender, the harness-maker and lines of others, each one working away patiently on his cushions with feet tucked under him, each one back in his half-lit alcove with a litter of tools about him; each one so charming in color blendings and so ridiculously behind the times. It makes you long to have them safe in your album. Ah, but that is a problem! These booths are buried away where the sun never penetrates, so there is no chance for instantaneous effects, and if you try a time exposure (which seems simple enough) you find that the streaming crowd will either upset your tripod or demoralize your subject with their jokes, and he is hard enough to manage anyway. First, there is the bargaining, say two piastres, to take the picture. Then when your kodak and tripod are ready you find yourself the center of a much-amused and very disturbing gathering.

"Tell him to look at his work, not at me," you say.

The dragoman gets this finally explained.

"See, his nose is crooked," says a barefoot Bedouin.

"His head looks like a water-skin," says a mule driver.

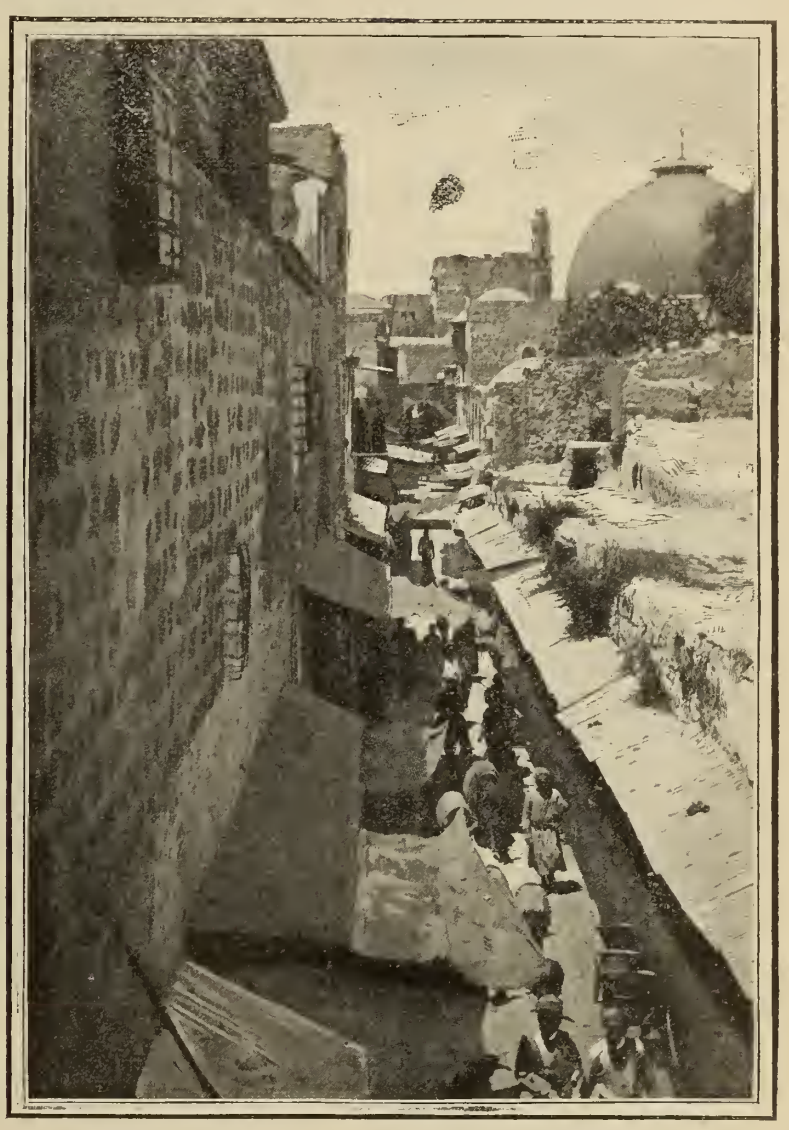
Whereupon your man looks up with a shamefaced laugh and you must begin again.

And what trouble you have in making these men keep still! Apparently they cannot control their fingers, especially if you put their hands in some attitude of work. The fingers will move.

At last everything is right and you press the bulb, only to have some stupid peasant or ill-natured Jew push himself in front of the camera at the critical moment and spoil the exposure. I did get a few Jerusalem trades with my kodak, but each one was an achievement. Without picture taking, I fancy our stay in the Holy Land would have been quite a different thing.—Cleveland Moffett in Frank Leslie's Monthly.

OPEN HEARTH.

This summer season at the Open Hearth promises to be more than usually interesting and gratifying to those who have part in the work. Many who came to the city to find work are present each evening at the services, and also at the morning prayer meetings, and are warmly received and assisted where found deserving. Superintendent Miller has a kind word for all and is ever ready to hear their statements, patiently examining each case as it is presented and to all and each showing himself a friend in need.



"From its thoroughfares Jerusalem looks for all the world like a huge rambling fortress!

The sand yard, with the swings, little croquet ground and a tent capable of accommodating a number of children, will be opened this week, and as usual will be a source of pleasure to the little ones of the neighborhood. Many mothers are relieved of the care of their children for a while, as they are perfectly safe and can play in the sand to their hearts' content without fear of injury.

The drill, which takes place each Thursday evening by the children who attend the mission under the direction of the superintendent, who gives orders and the little ones march around the room to the music of drum and fife, carrying the Star Spangled Banner they are learning to love and singing hymns which will be remembered through life and which tell of Jesus and His love.

The numbers who have attended the services during the past winter, together with the numbers who are at work but who call almost every day at the Open Hearth when in the city, attest the love felt by hundreds whose lives have been changed and who remember with gratitude the Open Hearth.

The gospel wagon will commence running Sunday, June 16, and continue until the fall each Sunday from 2 to 5 o'clock in the afternoons. The wagon will be under the direction of Superintendent Miller as usual, with such assistance as may be afforded by those interested in the work.

It is estimated that there are now in the heathen world 355 mission hospitals and 753 dispensaries. In the course of the year there were 93,000 in-patients; 2,580,000 individual patients were attended to and 6,648,000 visits paid. One hundred years ago there was not a single medical missionary or a mission hospital in a foreign land. Today there are more than 700 missionary physicians.

A JOKE WITH A PLEASANT ENDING

Not a few clergymen would be glad to be the victims of such a practical joke as was recently played upon Rev. Mr. Hageman, the story of which appears in the Oxford, Mich., Leader. At the annual meeting of the Congregational church the question of hiring a preacher comes up for discussion.

At the last meeting of this society, when the subject was brought up, a good deacon arose, and said:

"All those in favor of retaining Elder Hageman for another year—at the same salary—will please rise."

Not a person rose, and the minister, who was present, felt as uncomfortable as possible, and heartily wished himself anywhere else. Then the good deacon who had put the question arose again, and said, with a twinkle of the eye:

"I see no one favors that motion, so I will put it again in this way: All those in favor of keeping Rev. Mr. Hageman at an increase of salary will please rise."

Every one got upon his feet. Then it dawned upon Mr. Hageman that he had been the victim of a joke, and a smile lighted his eyes and the color returned to his cheeks. Some of his best friends had planned the surprise, and the little scheme had worked to perfection.

WELLINGTON'S WONDERFUL PHYSICAL POWERS.

Wellington on one occasion started, Sir Herbert Maxwell tells us, at 7 a. m., rode to a place 28 miles distant, here held a review, and was back at the place from which he had started for dinner between 4 and 5 p. m., says Goldwin Smith in the June Atlantic.

He galloped 26 miles and back to see whether damage had been done to a pontoon train. He rode 17 miles in two hours from Freneda to Ciudad Rodrigo, where he dined, gave a ball, and supped; was in the saddle again at 3 a. m.; galloped back to Freneda by 6, and was doing business again at noon. He rose regularly at 6, and wrote till 9, and after dinner again from 9 till 12.

It must be essential to every general, and indeed to every man who is bearing a heavy load of anxious business to be a good sleeper. Napoleon was a first rate sleeper; so was Pitt; so was Brougham; so was Mr. Gladstone; so was Wellington.

At Salamanca, Wellington having given his order for the battle, said to his aide-de-camp: "Watch the French through your glass, Fitz Roy. I am going to take a rest. When they reach that copse near the gap in the hills, wake me.' Then he lay down, and was fast asleep in a minute.

In the midst of the critical operation before Waterloo, feeling weary, he laid himself down, put a newspaper over his face and took a nap.—C. E. World.

TEMPERANCE FACTS.

The Liquor Trades Review says that nearly all the beer brewed in New York, it brewed in some parts of Germany, would land the brewer in jail, it is so far from being pure.

Lord Roberts says that the one-third of the British army in India that were abstainers furnished 2,000 more effective troops than the two-thirds that were not abstainers.

Ohio has 3,500 idiots; 1,700 of these cases are traceable to drunkenness in the parents.

If we are to believe judges now sitting on the bench, and prosecuting attorneys now in office, at least 125,000 habitual criminals in this country are the product of the saloons.

Secretary James B. Dunn, D. D., of the National Temperance society, figures that the country's net loss from the liquor traffic in a year would pay all the appropriations of a $2,000,000,000 congress, and leave more than half a billion for the widows and orphans.

Edward Page Gaston says that Chicago drinks enough liquor in a year to float the biggest ship on the lakes.

A BEDOUIN.

Japan, with practically the same poor laws as Great Britain, has only 24,000 paupers, while Great Britain has 100,000. A Japanese statesman being asked to explain, replied, "The Japanese drink tea; the British drink alcohol."

Of 13,402 convicts in 12 states investigated by the committee of fifty, intemperance was found to figure as a cause of crime in nearly 50 per cent of the cases.

It has been found by experiment in New Haven that a coffee bar established from benevolent motives next to a saloon, and offering the same opportunities for sociability, was able to drive the saloon out of the business.—C. E. World.

Mr. Colleran, Chicago's chief of detectives, has said that crime has been reduced ten per cent since the saloons of that city closed at midnight.

If you are fortunate enough to have even the germ of a sense of humor, cherish that carefully. It is the very salt and savor of life. Learn to smile over the foibles of your friends, loving them none the less, but more, because of their little weaknesses. Do not take people too seriously, and, above all, do not take yourself too seriously. You are only an atom in an incomprehensible universe, after all. Why find fault during your brief moment with the other atoms by your side? It surely will not pay.—Ada C. Sweet in the April Woman's Home Companion.

THE QUEEN'S IMAGE.

A captain in a regiment station in Natal when paying his company, the other day, chanced to give a man a Transvaal half-crown, which, as one would naturally expect, bears the image and superscription of President Kruger.

The man brought it back to the pay-table and said to the captain:

"Please, sir, you've given me a bad half-crown."

The officer took the coin without looking at it, rang it on the table, and then remarked:

"It sounds all right, Bagster. What's wrong with it?"

The captain glanced at the coin, saying:

"It's all right, man. It will pass in the canteen."

This apparently satisfied Bagster, who walked off, making the remark:

"If you say it's all right, sir, it is all right; but it's the first time I've seen the Queen with whiskers."—[Christian Endeavor World.

IS LATIN A DEAD LANGUAGE.

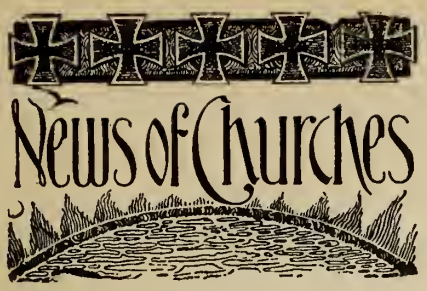
Many of our readers have had, at times, similar experiences like that of a well-known Scottish minister, who was touring in Belgium.

Arriving at Bruges, he immediately looked about for the parcel-room at the railway station, so that he might get rid of his portmanteau until he returned a few hours later. However, his acquaintance with the national language was so imperfect that he quite failed to make the porter in attendance understand what he wished. The man shrugged his shoulders and shook his head in response to all the traveller's attempts to explain himself.

But the minister was a man of resource, and would not be beaten. It flashed across his mind to try a Latin phrase, which he knew would be understood in a Roman Catholic country.

"Requiescat in pace" ("Rest in peace"), said he, pointing to his property.

The porter smiled, nodded his head several times to show that he caught the traveller's meaning, snatched up the portmanteau, and took it off to the place where left luggage was kept.—The C. E. World.



GLENWOOD CONGREGATIONAL.

A very pretty wedding was solemnized June 5, when our superintendent, Mr. Hastings, and Miss Grace Sexton were united in marriage. The church was prettily decorated, daisies being prominent. A pleasing feature was the manner in which the two little flower girls, Ruth Lange and Hazel Johnson, performed their part. After the ceremony a reception was tendered at the home of the bride. Mr. and Mrs. Hastings were the recipients of many handsome and useful gifts. Mrs. H. DeWitt Williams, our former pastor's wife, was in Hartford to attend the wedding.

June 9, being Children's day, we changed our custom of service and devoted the morning hour to their songs and a talk by the pastor. It is the desire of our pastor to see more children at our Sunday morning services. Please remember this and have them come.

Our superintendent desires to keep up the interest and attendance during the summer in the Sunday school just as regularly as in winter. Let us surprise him and do this.

We were pleased to have so many children brought to be baptized on Children's Sunday.

Our former organist, Mrs. George H. Welden, has been spending the week with Rev. and Mrs. H. DeWitt Williams. She was accompanied by Mrs. F. Haskell Smith of Akron, O., our former soprano singer.

The subscriptions of the Church club to the Church Review expire with this number. All who wish to renew should speak to Mr. Wilder. Ask your friends if they would like to subscribe also. We believe that all who have had the pleasure of reading the helpful articles that have appeared during the past year, will not fail to renew their subscriptions for the coming year.

In the next issue we shall say something about our annual Sunday School picnic.

WEST HARTFORD CONGREGATIONAL.

The postponed meeting of the Men's union was held in the chapel, Friday evening, May 17. Many ladies of the parish were present as guests of the organization. Mr. George M. Hersey gave a very interesting talk upon "Caves and Canyons of the West." Music was furnished by a quartette, Messrs. Ellsworth, Brigham, Goodacre and Bristol. Refreshments were served.

May 19, was observed as Home Department Sunday. It is customary for our Sunday school to arrange for a public recognition of the Home department, at least once a year, and to issue invitations to its members. At the special exercises which were held at 12:15, Mr. T. L. Norton of Salisbury, Conn, gave the address.

On Sunday evening, May 26, a union memorial service, preliminary to Decoration day, was held in the church auditorium. Rev. H. E. Hart gave the address, which was received with much favor. Mrs. Robert Way recited the beautiful poem, "On the Rappahannock." Special music was rendered by the choir.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Raymond Pierce gave an entertainment consisting of impersonations and comedy at the town hall, Friday evening, June 7. The entertainment was given under the auspices of the Men's union.

Our pastor and Mrs. Hodgdon are making a visit at their cottage on the Maine coast. During Mr. Hodgdon's absence the pulpit was occupied on June 2 by Rev. Mr. Higgins and on June 9 by Rev. H. E. Hart.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN.

Our pastor was disappointed in the pulpit exchange he had arranged for May 12 with Rev. G. M. Little of Westfield, Mass., circumstances favoring postponement till June 16, when we may expect the exchange.

The Loyal Workers' society held its semi-annual business meeting Friday evening, June 14, for the election of officers and committees.

Our Sunday school met with quite a loss recently. About the first of June the church was entered, and the birthday bank broken and robbed of its contents. It had not been opened for nearly a year and the school had set the first Sunday in June for opening it and devote the contents towards paying for needed repairs on the church. Sacrifice boxes have also been distributed for the same purpose.

The monthly Bible study was held at the pastor's house, Friday evening, June 7, the subject being "Does God Control in the Experiences of Men?" It was a very interesting and profitable meeting.

MEMORIAL BAPTIST.

Last month our young people held a prayer meeting at the Old People's home. The meeting was very informal and was much enjoyed by all who attended.

The B. Y. P. U. has lately purchased a missionary library of 14 volumes and has also subscribed for two missionary magazines. These will be a great help to our young people in the study of missions.

On Tuesday evening, June 4, the B. Y. P. U. held their regular monthly business meeting. Officers were elected for the coming six months. They are as follows: President, Miss M. H. Jameson; vice president, Eugene Bestor; secretary, Miss Florence Hale; treasurer, Walter Jameson; collector, Robert Harvey. A new plan is to be tried in regard to the different committees of the society. The list of members is to be so divided, that each and every one will be on some committee. This plan has been successful in other societies. We hope it will prove so with us.

On Sunday morning of June 2, our pastor gave an interesting report of the anniversary meetings of Baptist denomination, which have recently been held at Springfield. It gave us a good idea of the great work which is being accomplished by the different societies of this denomination.

June 9 was observed as Children's day. The regular session of the Sunday school was omitted, the exercises taking the place of the church service. There was a large attendance of parents and friends as well as the children.

Troop A, Governor's Guards, held their Memorial day service with us on the evening of June 9; a list of the deceased members of the company was read after which taps were sounded by the bugler. A sermon appropriate to the occasion was preached by our pastor.

There was special music by a male quartette and the chorus choir.

ASYLUM AVENUE CONGREGATIONAL.

The first Sunday in June inaugurated the experiment of holding the Sunday school session immediately after church. It has been a subject of much discussion among the teachers for some time and its value is now to be tested. The period for the experiment is from June to January.

A very successful picnic was held by the Sunday school at Laurel park on Saturday, June 8, about 200 participating. A committee had arranged an hour of games with prizes. They included 25-yard dashes, potato races, broad jumps and others, and created much merriment.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

The State Brotherhood convention at the Memorial building, June 2, was largely attended. The exercises were very interesting and a great deal of enthusiasm prevailed. There were about 40 of the boys from the different chapters in Connecticut present at the Sunday morning service at the church. They were welcomed by the rector.

The societies of the church are all in active working order and considerable interest is kept up. They will continue meetings during the month of June.

Sunday, June 9, at the 5 o'clock service, six persons were confirmed. Bishop Brewster spoke to the class afterward, urging them to live good, pure lives and to maintain a high standard of manhood and womanhood.

The rector has just passed through an anxious time in his household. Mrs. Bristol has undergone an operation for appendicitis, but is now resting quietly and it is believed will regain her former health. The sympathy of the parish is extended to the rector at this time.

FOURTH CHURCH.

Rev. H. H. Kelsey preached at Asylum Hill Congregational church, May 19, in the morning, his place at the home church being filled very acceptably by Prof. Mitchell of the seminary. Sunday, June 9, Mr. Kelsey spoke to the children at the morning service on "God's Care." In the evening he gave a special sermon to the young people. Sunday, June 16, he will speak to parents on "How the church, public school and home should work together to educate the child." Sunday, June 23, he will give a special address to the aged, many of whom will be brought under the escort of the Lydia circle.

There has been no let up as yet in the work of Music Director Benedict and his assistants. During the month they have given a Wagner concert, which was repeated.

On the evening of June 2 a Stainer

memorial service was held, Prof. Pratt of the seminary giving the address. The endeavor society is planning to put a handsome photographic bulletin in the principal hotels of the city.

The Lydia circle of King's Daughters gave their annual service and supper to the inmates of the old ladies' homes in this city, on June 12.

An event of great pleasure to the elder members of the church and schol was the informal reception at Dr. Howe's home to former Pastor Dr. Graham Taylor, and a former primary teacher, now a missionary, on the evening of June 3. Many members of church and school were present to greet their leaders of years gone by.

The Bible school held missionary meeting May 12. Miss Allen, formerly of Harpoot, spoke of the work in Armenia.

Preparatory to the coming of the Old Testament Sunday school lessons, next year, Mr. H. Handy is giving a course in O. T. history to the teachers. Children's day services were very pleasant and successful. The church was crowded with the parents and their children. The decorations of wild flowers and songs of caged birds adding not a little to the service. Ten children were baptized.

Our picnic will be held July 10 at Lake Compounce.

SOUTH PARK METHODIST.

The children of the Junior Endeavor society enjoyed a picnic at Cedar mountain, Saturday, June 8.

The church was tastefully decorated with daisies and other available wild flowers on Children's day. The Sunday school exercises were held at 6:30 in the evening. The subject was "Character Building."

The body of the church was filled with the parents and friends of the Sunday school children.

The pastor preached a sermon to the children in the morning, using as a text a watch from the pocket of a small boy in the congregation. He likened the watch to a child. An exterior view does not show the power which keeps the watch or the child running. Just as the watch must be wound every day, so the child must receive constant care.

The watch contains a nicely constructed balance wheel. The balance wheel in the child is conscience, and it is so perfectly adjusted that it will keep the child's life running smoothly and evenly, if he will listen to it.

The talk was interesting and suggestive to the older people as well as to the children.

FIRST BAPTIST.

The pastor's instruction class is being held each Sunday under the north gallery in the church, the members coming down during the teaching hour. There has been a very good attendance the two Sundays on which it has been held.

A committee has just been appointed to arrange for our annual Sunday school picnic. It has not been yet decided where we shall go.

Children's day was observed June 9 and the programme was an interesting one, Mr. Shumway and Miss Eaton having the matter in charge. There was a children's chorus, recitations and exercises as usual. The room was prettily decorated with flowers.

The first quarterly business meeting of the association was held on Tuesday evening, June 11, at 7:45. A good number was present.

Quite a number attended the May anniversaries in addition to the delegates appointed. It was found quite convenient by many more than usually attended, as Springfield is so short a distance only, from this city.

ST. PAUL'S METHODIST.

The June meeting of the New Haven District Ministerial association of the Methodist Episcopal church was held at the St. Paul church on Monday and Tuesday, June 10 and 11. The association comprises the pastors of 75 churches within the territory extending from Massachusetts to the sound, and from the Connecticut river on the east to the Naugatuck valley on the west, besides the presidents of two colleges, professors and superannuated preachers. The Rev. Herbert Welch of Middletown is president and Rev. F. H. L. Hammond of Wallingford is secretary. A paper was read by Rev. W. C. Blakeman on the poets of the nineteenth century, and an address upon "American and European Education Compared" by Prof. Conn of Wesleyan university.

Books were reviewed by Rev. Dr. C. P. Piltblado of Windsor Locks, Rev. W. S. Manship of Unionville and Rev. H. S. Scarborough of Bloomfield.

The sermon was preached by Rev. Joseph H. Twichell of the Asylum Hill Congregational church on Monday evening. Prof. Waldo S. Pratt of the Hartford Theological seminary spoke concerning church music, and Rev. Dr. G. M. Stone of the Asylum Hill Baptist church on "The Bible and the Human Voice." The meeting closed on Tuesday afternoon with a symposium: "The Minister as a Pastor," by Rev. F. A. Scofield, Meriden; "The Minister As a Preacher," by Rev. G. S. Elbridge, New Haven, and "The Minister As an Administrator," by Rev. J. E. Adams of New Haven.

The pastor baptized seven children on Sunday morning, June 9, and preached a service to the children. In the evening the annual Sunday school concert by the children was enjoyed. The main auditorium and the gallery were filled.

A committee was appointed by the Sunday school board at the last meeting to arrange for the annual outing.

WARBURTON CHAPEL.

A successful season's work in the sewing school was brought to a happy close by the exercises on Thursday, May 23. A programme of songs and recitations, with music by the scholars and a report of the season's work by the teacher, Miss Lizzie J. Holcomb, was full of interest. The enrollment during the past season has been 94. Mrs. Holcomb will continue as teacher when this department reopens in the fall.

The parents' social on Friday evening, May 24, was a pleasant gathering and in spite of the severe thunder showers 80 were present. The evening was occupied with games, songs, readings and music. The decorations of wild flowers were tastefully arranged by Miss Agnes Pye and at the close of the evening the flowers were distributed among the parents.

The teachers' meeting on June 4 was the closing one for the season. Miss Eliza F. Mix was the committee for the tea.

Fifteen from our school attended the meeting for S. S. workers at Newington, May 28.

Our school united with the school of the First church for the floral vesper service Sunday, June 9.

The fifteenth anniversary of the organization of the Sunday school and the thirty-fifth of the dedication of the chapel will be celebrated Sunday and Monday evenings, June 16-17. Invitations have been sent to all who have ever been members of the school as far as their names and addresses could be obtained. Some of these are in Texas, Florida, Tennessee, Oklahoma, California, England and China.

The teachers have planned for the annual picnic to be held at White Oak, June 29.

WINDSOR CONGREGATIONAL.

Sunday, June 9, our pastor preached a sermon appropriate to Children's day, three infants were baptized and, according to the custom of our church, baptized children who have reached the age of seven were presented with Bibles. There were six of these. The infant department of the Sunday school also had interesting exercises.

ST. JAMES' EPISCOPAL.

All the seats of our church are in successful operation.

The rector's reception took place Thursday, June 13.

The St. Mary's guild will give an entertainment at Ives' hall, June 18.

The Sunday school picnic is to be the attraction on the 22nd.

NEWINGTON CONGREGATIONAL.

The W. C. T. U. held a medal contest in May. The orchestra intermingled selections with the recitations. Miss Ethel Fields won the medal. The other contestants received a Frances Willard pin.

May 22, Mr. David Smith of New Haven gave a very pleasing organ recital.

The funeral of John Camp, who died in Phoenix, Ariz., was attended at the church on May 28 at 2 o'clock. Mr. Camp joined this church in 1890. He was a graduate of Mt. Hermon school and Yale college. Much sympathy is felt for the family, who mourn his early death.

The New Britain Sunday auxiliary met with this church on May 28, afternoon and evening. An interesting and profitable meeting was enjoyed by many. The ladies of the church furnished supper to the outside friends.

Rev. Mr. Macy was on the examining board of the Hartford Theological seminary. He also attended the banquet, May 28.

May 30, Mrs. Howard Francis and Mrs. Alfred Fish, graduates of the Moody school, gave an entertainment and ice cream sale to raise money for the endowment fund. Thirty dollars was raised.

Rev. Herbert Macy and Mr. John S.

Kirkham were delegates to the installation of Rev. Frederick Blanchard of the Southington Congregational church.

Children's day was celebrated June 4. Our pastor preached a sermon to the children from the prophet Zechariah, 8:1-5. A children's choir sang three hymns. Five children were baptized. The church was prettily decorated with maidenhair fern and daisies. In the evening the children gave a concert entitled, "Character Building," taken from 1 Peter, 2:4-6.

ST. THOMAS' EPISCOPAL.

We are very glad to report that the rector, Rev. George R. Warner, has returned to the city from Strattord, where he and Mrs. Warner have been visiting their daughter, Mrs. E. C. Wood and that Mr. Warner is much improved in health and hopes soon to be able to resume parish work.

Rev. H. Lilienthal of Trinity college, who has been supplying during Mr. Warner's illness, will be with us during June, when he will leave Hartford for the summer, having an engagement in an out of town parish during the college vacation. His services have been much appreciated by our people.

The wardens of the parish, Mr. R. H. Crosby and Mr. R. H. Burton, attended the Diocesan convention in Trinity church, New Haven, on Tuesday, June 11th.

A very pretty wedding took place in the church Wednesday evening, June 12, at 7:30, when Mr. Edward Hall Warner, a relative of the rector, and Miss Grace E. Metcalf, were married.

WINDSOR METHODIST.

Rev. A. C. Eggleston has been appointed the financial secretary of the Wesleyan academy at Wilbraham, Mass., one of the oldest and best equipped preparatory schools of the M. E. church.

The Rev. Mr. Dunkerke has been stationed at the Windsor Methodist church and is now pleasantly settled in the new parsonage recently built on Poquonock avenue.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER.

Rev. Dr. John Coleman Adams of All Saints' church of Brooklyn, N. Y., has accepted the call of the Church of the Redeemer of this city and will assume his duties the first Sunday in September. Sunday, June 2, Rev. Charles A. Skinner occupied the pulpit. Mr. Skinner was pastor of the church some 25 or 30 years ago, and the congregation fully appreciated having him back again once more.

Sunday, June 9, Rev. Frederic W. Perkins was in charge by special request and conducted the christening service.

The sermon was mostly on the theme of the children and the flowers, it being the special day for children. The Sunday school observed the day with special exercises. The meeting of the Young People's Guild was appropriate for the day.

The national convention of the Young People's Christian union of the Universalist church will be held in Rochester, N. Y., during the first week in July, and preparations are being made for sending delegates from the Hartford union.

Sunday, June 16, Rev. George Elliott Cooley, formerly of this parish, but now in charge of a church in Rutland, Vt., will occupy the pulpit.

SUFFIELD STREET CHAPEL.

We have recently had made a very pretty banner which is to be given to the class having the largest percentage of members present during the past month at Sunday school. Each class will strive to gain it. So far two classes are about equal, with an average attendance for the year of over 89 per cent each Sunday.

The ladies of the Dorcas society gave a sale on Wednesday evening, June 12. This will probably be the closing meeting of the season.

On Sunday, June 23, we will hold Children's day exercises in place of the regular Sunday school at, 2:30 p. m., and all friends are cordially invited to be present. The exercises are chiefly of a musical nature.

UNITY CHURCH.

The entertainment provided for May by the hospitality committee was a lecture by Joseph Sachs, an electrician at the Johns-Pratt Co., on electricity. He explained the use of electricity in its different manifestations, including the telephone, telegraph, etc. The lecture was very interesting and was much enjoyed by the good-sized audience present.

On June 7, the regular children's social was held in the parlors of the church. Supper was served at 6.

On May 19, Mr. Waite exchanged with Mr. Lane of Rockville, who preached to us on the "Causes of Denominationalism." Mr. Free of Florence, Mass., occupied the pulpit and talked to us about "The Mastery of Life," and June 9, Mr. Lane again preached to us. His subject was, "Christian Unity."

BLOOMFIELD CONGREGATIONAL.

The Children's Sunday exercises were carefully planned and very successfully carried out. Some parts of the programme were exceptionally pleasing and well rendered. Mr. W. H. Hall talked in a most interesting way to the boys and girls about lead pencils. The decoration of the church was most effective and attracted much attention.

A very successful concert was given at the church Wednesday evening, June 5, under the auspices of the Ladies' Benevolent society. They realized nearly $25 for the repair fund.

Miss M. E. Bidwell, corresponding secretary of the C. E. society, has been ill all the winter and spring. She drives out now, but has not been able yet to attend church or the society meetings.

Mr. Jonathan Bidwell, who is in his 88th year, walks to and from church pleasant Sundays and seems not to mind it any more than others a half century younger. His home is fully three-quarters of a mile from the church.

Mrs. Mary (Humphrey) Briggs united with the church on confession of her faith May 4, 1834. Circumstances prevent her from attending now, but she retains her deep interest in the welfare of the church.

The new piano recently purchased through the efforts of the C. E. society is proving a great help and was much appreciated Children's day.

The Ladies' Benevolent society is actively engaged in preparing a barrel of clothing for a home missionary in Alabama.

The endeavor society and the Benevolent society have made arrangements to serve ice cream at the church every Friday evening through the summer months.

WINDSOR AVENUE CONGREGATIONAL.

Children's day exercises were held Sunday morning in place of the regular morning worship.

Our pastor, Rev. H. E. Peabody, and Miss Jennie Lester, vice president of the Christian Endeavor society, were sent as delegates to the National Home Missionary convention held in Boston.

Miss Lester gave a very interesting report at one of our C. E. meetings.

The Bible class gave a social and reception to Mr. Schuch, the teacher of the class, Friday evening, May 24. Mr. Schuch graduated from the Hartford Theological seminary and has left for his new field of labor in the west.

A very interesting course of missionary study under the direction of Mr. Meserve of the seminary ended the season last Monday evening at the close of the Christian Endeavor meeting.

Plans are being made for the annual Sunday school picnic.

SOUTH CONGREGATIONAL, EAST HARTFORD.

The drama, "Among the Breakers," for which the young people have been preparing for some time, was given very successfully Friday evening, May 31. The parts were well taken and the young people and their pastor, who has trained them, deserve much credit. The proceeds amounted to about $38.

By the request of the Daughters of the American Revolution, they are to repeat the drama at Comstock's hall in about two weeks, the proceeds being given to the Memorial fund.

The Ladies' Aid society gave a strawberry and ice cream festival Thursday evening, June 4. A wonder wheel was a feature of the evening.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN.

The Young People's association held a very interesting and successful social on the evening of May 28. Games and music furnished the entertainment and refreshments were served. Fifteen new members have been received into the association during the last month.

Very much needed repairs have been made on our church organ

Sunday evening, June 2, we had the pleasure of hearing an address on "Mission Work in China," by Rev. John Connell, a member of our presbytery who has spent eight years in the field, and is now home on furlough. He returns to his station in September.

On May 18, the pastor began a very interesting and helpful series of sermons to the young people for Sunday evenings.

Children's day will be celebrated June 16 in our church. Special services for the Sunday school will take place at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

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KIND WORDS.

Cultivate kindness of heart; think well of your fellowmen; look with charity upon the shortcomings in their lives; do a good turn for them as opportunity offers; and finally, don't forget the kind word at the right time.

How much a word of kindness, encouragement or appreciation means to others, sometimes, and how little it costs us to give it.

We do not need to wait for some special occasion. When calamity overtakes a friend, words of sympathy and encouragement are offered sincerely enough, yet in certain respects, as a matter of course. Such an occasion calls for expression on our part, and we naturally respond. But why wait for an occasion? Why not speak the kind word when there is no special occasion?

In the course of our lives there must be many times when thoughtless words are spoken by us which wound the hearts of others. And there are also many little occasions when the word of cheer is needed from us, and we are silent.

There are lives of wearisome monotony which a word of kindness can relieve. There is suffering which words of sympathy can make more endurable. And often, even in the midst of wealth and luxury, there are those who listen and long in vain for some expression of disinterested kindness.

Speak to those while they can hear and be helped by you, for the day may come when all our expressions of love and appreciation may be unheard. Imagine yourself standing beside their last resting place. Think of the things you could have said of them, and to them, while they were yet living. Then go and tell them now.

"A nameless man, amid a crowd
That thronged the daily mart,
Let fall a word of hope and love
Unstudied from the heart.
A whisper on the tumult thrown,
A transitory breath,
It raised a brother from the dust,
It saved a soul from death."

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AN AGE OF BOOKS.

This is an age of books. And we should reverence them. Consider! except a living man there is nothing more wonderful than a book—a message to us from the dead, from human souls whom we never saw, who lived perhaps thousands of miles away, or hundreds of years ago, and yet in those little sheets of paper now speak to us, amuse us, terrify us, teach us, comfort us, open their hearts to us as brothers!

We ought to reverence books, to look at them as awful and mighty things. If they are good and true, whether they are about religion or politics, trade or medicine, they are the message of Christ, the Maker of all things, the Teacher of all truth, which He has put into the hearts of some men to speak. And at the last day we shall have to render an account of the books we have read, and of the way in which we have utilized what we read. It will be well for us, therefore, to avoid every book which is evil in its influence or teachings.

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In the poorest cottage are Books: is one Book, wherein for several thousands of years the spirit of man has found light, and nourishment and an interpreting response to whatever is Deepest in him.

—Thomas Carlyle.

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No radiant pearl which crested fortune wears,
No gem that twinkling hangs from beauty's ears,
Not the bright stars which night's blue arch adorn,
Nor rising sun that gilds the vernal morn,
Shine with such lustre as the tear that flows
Down Virtue's manly cheek for others woes. —Darwin.

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CHURCH QUARTETTES.

Mr. Frank Damrosch, writing in The Church Economist, has many interesting things to say concerning the church quartette and chorus, his preference being for the latter. In regard to the origin of the quartette, he says:

"The quartette is the outgrowth of certain conditions which existed during an early period of the development of the American church . . . . Some sort of church music was demanded, because it is an inspiration to worshipers and a natural means of expressing religious feeling. During this period of development the mass of American people was not in a high state of musical culture, and therefore the church music of the time, from a musical point of view, was anything but delightful.

"Under these conditions it was but natural for the people to try to improve the church music and to look around among their number to find those who were, musically, more gifted than the average. When they found that Mary Jones could sing a fairly good soprano, William Smith a tenor, and a couple of other voices the other two parts, it easily led to the placing of these singers in a prominent place in the church to lead the singing. In this way the quartette choir was born, and as the plan was followed in many churches, it was not long before different choirs came into a sort of competition. This in turn produced a selective process, and those competent to sing were finally brought to a point where they were willing to sing in any church that would pay them . . . . and thus the paid quartette came into existence."

Concerning the concert quality of the quartette, he says: " . . . . The people in the congregation listen to a solo or a duet and say, 'What a beautiful voice she has!' or 'Do they not sing well together?' and they lose sight of, or at any rate think little about, what is sung in their admiration for the art of the singers. The quartette choir is frequently nothing but a means of entertainment, and for that very reason, the better the quartette is the less is it suited to a church service. . . . .

"While I personally enjoy the singing of a first class quartette, I consider that church music must be more than a mere appeal to the musical or artistic sense. The element of worship must predominate, and for that reason that

class of music which does not bring the individual performer prominently before the congregation, but which attracts the attention of the audience to the character of the music itself and brings out the religious feeling of the listener, will be much more in conformity with the character of a church service."

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The international Christian Endeavor convention will be held this year at Cincinnati from July 6 to 10, inclusive. As usual, the best speakers from all over the country, and from foreign countries, will participate, and a very attractive programme of meetings has been arranged. The natural attractions in and about Cincinnati are numerous and many attractive excursions can be taken. These conventions are hereafter to be held biennially instead of annually, the next one coming in 1903.

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The Baptist May anniversaries at Springfield attracted Baptists of prominence from all over the country, the churches in this vicinity being represented by large delegations. The meetings extended from the 20th to the 28th of the month, the various organizations of the denomination being allotted separate days. The meetings were fully reported in special editions of the Springfield papers.

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President McKinley has again shown unfriendliness to the cause of civil service reform in appointing to the commission Mr. Rodenberg of Illinois, a member of the last congress who is now out of a job. Mr. Rodenberg while in congress voted to starve out the commission, and his appointment to it means that the civil service laws are to be administered by the hand of their enemy, so far as he is concerned. It is a direct blow at the merit system.

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A particularly sad case and one which has aroused widespread sympathy is that of Miss Ida Hatheway, formerly a correspondent of this paper for the Asylum Avenue Baptist church.

In the pursuit of her chosen profession, that of nursing, she contracted from a patient under her charge ophthalmia of the most fatal and painful type. The result is partial loss of eyesight, with probabilities of its proving complete. We hope that such will not prove to be the case, but in the midst of her present suffering and threatening disaster Miss Hatheway is sure of the sympathy and prayers of all who know of her great misfortune.

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The proposed removal of the Bible Normal College of Springfield to this city is a very gratifying prospect, and we hope may be speedily consummated. It's a move in the right direction, for a fact. It means better facilities in many ways, and, consequently, better chances for growth for the college, and at the same time, will doubtless work to the advantage of the Theological seminary. Each institution works on its own lines and they are distinctive, yet at many points they touch and offer an opportunity for co-operation. It is not proposed to merge the management of the two institutions, but each can help the other in many respects, at a saving of expense to both.

It is now expected that the removal will be effected in time for the Bible Normal college to open its fall term in Hartford.

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Of our soldiers in the Philippines 750 have become insane. "Only 25 a month," says an insanity expert. But it's bad enough.

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This chasing to municipal, state and national bodies, for special favors for denominational institutions is all wrong in principle and mischievous in practice, and should be suppressed every time, or there will be no end to it. Any institution governed exclusively by any one religious denomination should not look to the state or municipality for support.

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The strike of the machinists is practically over in this vicinity, and they have secured their nine-hour day. It is a pity that resort must be made to a strike to settle these labor difficulties, but it seems to have been the most effective method thus far devised. In regard to labor unions the laborers have probably as much right to combine for their mutual profit as the manufacturers have to form trusts.

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It is to the credit of this country that our policy in China has been one of moderation, and has the United States ever received a greater compliment than the deputation of thousands of Chinese asking our forces not to leave Peking?

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Warburton chapel celebrates on the 16th and 17th of this month the 50th anniversary of the organization of the Sundayschool, and the 35th anniversary of the dedication of the chapel. Congratulations from The Church Review!

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The German exploration of the site of Babylon, led by Dr. Koldewey, has already obtained remarkable results. The city seems to have been much smaller than Herodotus described it, only about one-fifth as large as London; nor were its walls so enormous as Herodotus said they were. The diameter of the city was about nine and three-tenths miles. Nebuchannezzar's palace has been unearthed, and the ruins of the hanging gardens have probably been identified.

Again the prayers of a Christian people are ascending to the throne of Grace in behalf of Mrs. McKinley, and asking that the angel of death be not allowed to visit the White House. All that human skill can do is being done to preserve her life, but without divine assistance there seems but little hope. Her physicians hope for some improvement, but in her present weak condition they admit that she cannot stand even a slight change for the worse.

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When you go to the Pan-American exposition at Buffalo, don't forget the meetings which will be held at Tent Evangelist. Some of the best speakers of the country will be there, including Chapman, Strong, Abbott, Barrows, Hale, Talmage, Trey, Thoburn, Cuyler, Gunsaulus, Dods and President Clark of the United C. E. society.

LAKE COMPOUNCE.

An Ideal Resort for Sunday School Picnics.

One of the most attractive spots in the vicinity of Hartford is Lake Compounce, situated at the foot of the mountain range south of Bristol. Its natural attractions and beauties are superb, and its artificial attractions are second to none of our local pleasure resorts. Under the management of Messrs. Pierce and Norton, the lake has become a popular resort for Sunday school and society picnics, and for private parties, and every effort is made by the management to insure a good time to all who come. The lake can be reached from Hartford by third rail, via Bristol, or by trolley, via New Britain.

This season a number of new attractions have been added, making it especially attractive for children and young people.

A new and large steam launch is a feature which will attract all who are fond of a pleasant and safe trip on the water.

The special attraction for the week beginning Monday, June 17, is the Helen Deming Ladies' Orchestra, of Boston. Each week some new special attraction is offered, and the management aims to secure only such as are unobjectionable in every respect.

The restaurant is conducted by Mr. Charles Sunshine, formerly of Sawyer's Cafe in this city, and the best of service is guaranteed.

CLERICAL HUMOR.

"That was an excellent discourse you delivered last Sunday," remarked a veteran minister of the gospel to a rising young preacher, "but I would hardly call it a sermon."

"Why not, doctor?" demanded the other.

"Because you had no text."

"Don't you call such a discourse a sermon unless it has a text?"

"Certainly not."

"You have read the Sermon on the Mount, have you not?"

"Many, many times."

"Well, it has no text."

"On the contrary, my dear young friend," said the veteran, "it is composed entirely of texts."—The Youth's Companion.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

HARTFORD UNION NOTES.

The Directors of the Union met last Tuesday evening in Y. M. C. A. to arrange for the June meeting. A large number were in attendance and considerable interest manifested. The June meeting will be held with the Unionville society on Wednesday evening, June 26, at 7:45.

It is hoped that a sufficient number will plan to go to enable the executive committee to procure special cars to and from Unionville, and it is desired that each director canvass his or her society and advise the union secretary not later than Monday, the 24th, how many may be expected to attend from their societies.

The subject of the June meeting will be the same as at the May conference of the central section, "Do Something for Somebody." Papers and talks by local speakers connected with Sunday school, Y. M. C. A., North Street settlement and Open Hearth work will be given.

As this is the last union meeting until our annual one in October, let us be on hand and help our Unionville neighbors.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS.

(From the Presbyterian C. E. Manual.)

June 16—Reverence for Sacred Things. Ex. 3 : 1-6. Suggested sub-topic : Ways of Showing Reverence for God's House and His Church. Lev. 19 : 30 ; Ps. 96 : 6-9.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

We prove our own height by our attitude toward things higher.

We pay honor to God by honoring his works.

Deference to God's day is God's due.

The house of God is holy.

He who makes the sacred common, robs God of his right.

God's glory is inseparably bound up with his day.

What we revere indicates what we are.

Why should we bow our heads and close our eyes during public prayer?

What is a proper attitude during the reading of the Scriptures?

June 23—How Temperance Would Help Transform the Earth. Rev. 21 : 1-7.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

Self-restraint is the first sign of strength.

Only conquerors of self can conquer the whole earth.

He who holds his own life in control will be given large kingdoms to control.

Temperance prepares the way for truth.

Temperance is a sign of unselfishness, and the reign of unselfishness will mark the millenium.

Law and love will become one when self-denial prevails.

Temperance would remove the handicap from the drunkard's children in life's race.

Intemperance never rules over a happy home.

June 30—Whatever : "I Will Strive to do Whatever He would Like to Have me do." John 15 : 7-16 ; Matthew 28 : 18-20.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

Christ's all power is the ground of our all pledge.

To promise less than whatever is disloyalty.

The presence of the Savior is our help in the performance of his service.

Our striving is only in Christ's strength.

The Father's will is the only true limit of the child's work.

Our pledge touches every action of every day.

Covenants unperformed condemn us.

Our promise of whatever is no more inclusive than God's purpose for us.

Great endeavoring is given great enabling.

July 7—Religion and Patriotism. Romans 13 : 1-7.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

Saintliness is best citizenship.

Men who are loyal to their Lord are not disloyal to their land.

The independence of the individual is the hope of the state.

Steadfastness is a virtue that makes states and saints.

Indifference is indefensible in a Christian or a patriot.

Prosperity has its perils for citizens and Christians alike.

Bad men cannot be good citizens.

True men are the best product of a country and of a religion.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

Work is progressing very rapidly in the refitting of the basement floor of the association building for the new junior work to be opened Sept. 1. The Hartford association will have the finest equipment for boys' work of any association in the United States outside of Cleveland, O. The city of Cleveland has an entire building recently given to the association for its work for boys.

The Hartford association will have three, large, handsomely fitted up rooms that will be devoted to boys between 14 and 17 years of age. One of these rooms will be supplied with all the popular games and recreations of the day; another room will be cosily arranged for committee meetings, Bible classes, etc.; and another room will be attractively arranged as a reading room and library. These three rooms are separate and distinct from the rest of the building. A private entrance will be exclusively for the boys of the above age. There will be private dressing and locker rooms for these boys provided with a special entrance to the gymnasium. The Juniors from 10 to 13 will have two large, handsome rooms. The Juniors will also have private dressing and locker rooms. These two sets of boys will be kept apart in the social and physical work. There will be separate Bible classes for them and on Sunday there will be a union gospel meeting. The work for employed boys will be carried on from 6 to 9 p. m. each day, when all rooms necessary will be used. The other two sets of boys will use the building from 3 to 6 p. m. and all day Saturdays.

Mr. Clarke E. Pomeroy, the new secretary for this department, will arrive in Hartford June 18, and will immediately begin preparation for his work Mr Pomeroy is 26 years of age, is the son of a Methodist minister and has been engaged in association work for the past three years. Some years ago he was employed for a time in the Los Angeles association as an office secretary. From there he went to the University of Southern California, where he remained as a student until he enlisted in 1898 for the war with Spain. Mr. Pomeroy served in the Seventh California regiment until he was mustered out in November, 1898. Then he went to Oakland as assistant secretary, where he has been employed since.

The aim of this department will be to enroll 500 boys within a year. We believe with the many valuable privileges offered that there will be no difficulty in doing this.

There will be a summer camp for boys under the auspices of the state committee of Connecticut at Tuxis island, July 1 to 20. Hartford boys will be there in the first division from July 1 to 10 to charge of Mr. Pomeroy.

At a recent conference of the committees of the association under the leadership of Don O. Shelton of New York, who represents the International department of the Young Men's Christian association, it was decided to maintain the religious work through the summer. Some form of religious meetings for men only will be conducted every Sunday. A movement is now under way to enlist 100 young men in the course of special Bible reading planned for the summer months. At this date 40 are enrolled. Hartford will be represented at the International convention by Boston by about 314 officers and members.

There are 70 Christian churches in Tokio, the capital of Japan, 62 of which are Protestant, two Russian and six Roman. Fifty-five of the 56 Bible women are Protestants, the one remaining being a Romanist. In the matter of contributions the Protestants are far ahead of the Russians and Romans, who are also negligent church-goers. Among the Protestants the Anglican as well as the American Episcopal churches are the most successful.

ADDITIONAL CHURCHES.

WETHERSFIELD BAPTIST.

On Sunday, May 26, the memorial service for the Grand Army men was held in our church. It was a union of all the churches. Rev. Mr. Elsden addressed them. The ranks of the men have grown less this year. On Friday evening, the 31st, Mr. Rodney B. Cushing of Maine lectured in our church on "Saloons vs. Society."

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL.

The Children's Sunday service was an excellent one and the church was crowded. Mr. Tuthill's sermon was an illustrated one, "The Candle Sermon." It held the attention of the children throughout. Six infants were baptized.

The death of Mr. Elijah Ackley removes the active chairman of the board of trustees, whose place may not be easily filled.

Miss Laura Smith gave two talks on the missionary field, in which she was engaged for several years, illustrating her address by lantern slides, costumes and curios. She gave a very graphic description of the life and work among the Zulus of South Africa.

Our Endeavor society has voted to send as delegate to the Cincinnati convention our efficient junior superintendent, Miss Luella G. Recor.

WETHERSFIELD METHODIST.

The attendance at all the services has increased in the last month.

The Epworth league service has taken the place of the praver meeting and is held on Thursday evening with the appointed leaders.

NEW BRITAIN AVENUE MISSION.

Messrs. Fisher and Woodman of the seminary, who have been the instructors at the teachers' meetings for some time past, have left for the summer. This necessitates the different teachers leading in turn, which is proving successful.

The following are the ones who have spoken to us the last month: Rev. E. T. Talmage of Center church, Rev. Harold Pattison of First Baptist, Rev. H. E. Peabody of Windsor Avenue Congregational and C. E. Tullar of Boston.

BUSINESS AND PLEASURE.

Mother—Tommy, what makes you so late?

Tommy—Had some words with the teacher, and she kept me in after school.

Mother—You had words with the teacher?

Tommy—Yes, mother. I couldn't spell 'em.—Tid-Bits.

A good opportunity to visit the Pan-American exposition free is offered to all persons sending eighteen (18) yearly subscriptions to The Connecticut magazine. A sample copy and information to help obtain subscriptions will be furnished by addressing The Connecticut Magazine, Hartford, Conn.

Briggs—Oh, it is all very well for people who were born lucky to talk; but a man can't choose his own father.

Griggs—No, but he can choose his wife's father.—Boston Transcript.

Messrs. Olmsted and Ziegler, 182 Pearl street, have now in stock an unusually large assortment of second hand wheels. Many bargains are offered in this line.

"What do you think is the saddest work of fiction you ever read?"

"The cookbook," answered the young woman who has not been married very long. "Not more than one in ten of those pieces come out right.—Washington Star.

The Hartford Charcoal company is selling a product which gives the best satisfaction to consumers. The charcoal sells in large ten-cent bags and is found at all grocers. Insist every time on getting Brown's Quick Fire Charocal.

"I do believe that young pair have come to an understanding at last," said the landlady.

"If they have, they are the first couple in love that have ever exhibited any signs of possessing understanding," said the savage bachelor.—Indianapolis Press.

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"I tell you," said the practical citizen, speaking with emphasis, "the secret of permanent roads is——"

"How did you get the idea that I was interested in the subject of permanent roads?" interrupted the paving contractor, with a frosty smile.—Chicago Tribune.

One of the most attractive spots for a day's outing either for individuals or for large or small parties is Rainbow park. It is easily accessible, and few places are better provided with natural attractions, chief among which is the Farmington river, which presents a fine appearance here. There is good boating and fishing in the river, and in the park itself are numerous other attractions. It is an ideal spot for Sunday school picnics. For further information, address Messrs. Snow and Vernon, Rainbow, Conn.

A belated traveler arrived at the door of a country inn, and after much difficulty succeeded in rousing the proprietor sufficiently for him to put his head out of the window and ask what was wanted.

"I want to stop here all night."

"Well, you can do so," was the answer, and the irate innkeeper slammed the window and went back to bed.

Private parties can hardly spend a more enjoyable evening than by taking a trip on Capt. A. Miner's new steam yacht May. The terms are reasonable and many as 30 can be carried comfortably. Mr. Miner caters to select parties only, and refuses to allow liquor on his boat at any time. All offers for Sunday excursions are declined. Mr. Miner is determined to exclude every objectionable association from his yacht, and he deserves to be liberally patronized.

A little girl, whose older brother's lack of compassion for small creatures distressed her, injected this into her bed time prayer: "O Lord, don't let the little birds get into Robbie's trap in the garden. Please don't let them! Oh, I know they won't! They can't! Amen!"

"Dolly," said her mother, "what makes you so certain?"

"Why, 'cause—'cause I went out in the garden and smashed the trap."

ADDITIONAL BOOK NOTICES.

Huldreich Zwingli, the Reformer of German Switzerland: 1484-1531. By Samuel Macauley Jackson. 519 pages, 8vo. New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons. Price $2.00.

This is the latest volume in "The Heroes of the Reformation" series, earlier issues being "Martin Luther," "Philip Melancthon," "Desiderius Erasmus," and "Theodore Beza." Zwingli was a contemporary of Luther and his life was one of superb energy and contagious enthusiasm. A patriot of the most ardent sincerity, and a theologian of deep conviction, Zwingli indefatigably pursued the line of his missionary and civil reforms, in the face of all opposition.

Zwingli was a great man as well as a great reformer. Lost somewhat in the littleness of Swiss history, he cannot be recalled save with a realization of the great part he played in world progress.

Dr. Jackson seems familiar with his localities and the authority of his writing is increased by a conviction of that fact. He has written entertainingly and vividly. The book is well illustrated and contains some manuscript fac-similes of great interest. A full and well arranged index gives great reference value to the volume.

Clayton Halowell. By Francis W. Van Praag. 304 pages, 12mo. New York: R. F. Fenno & Co. Price $1.50.

Clayton Halowell, an officer in the Continental army, is the hero of this tale. The scene is around Washington's headquarters in Morristown, New Jersey. The story is an excellent one, not in any sense imitating any of the popular "character" novels of the day. There are many thoroughly thrilling and dramatic scenes in the book. In a few instances there is an evident straining of probability and naturalness for effect, but on the whole the story is earnest and convincing—the love scenes being especially sympathetic and tender.

The book has proved one of the "best selling" in many cities.

Poor Boy's Chances. By John Habberton. 280 pages, 16 mo. Philadelphia: Henry Altemus Co. Price 50 cents.

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THE WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

The Woman's Christian Temperance union conducted religious services at the jail Sunday morning, June 9.

The meeting was opened by Chaplain Dillingham, after the singing of two hymns. Mrs. Forbes read a Scripture lesson, Mrs. Ford led in prayer. This was followed by a solo, "Throw Out the Lite Line," by Miss Gertrude Laidlaw.

Mrs. Forbes gave a very earnest talk upon the importance of having God's name written upon our foreheads, appealing strongly to the men and women to lead better lives, to resist temptation and to have the courage to say no, in a strong, true way. Miss Hadley of the Shelter spoke very interestingly, referring to the fact that we are all brothers and sisters, but some are tempted more than others. Miss Laidlaw sang another solo, "Have Courage, My Boy, To Say No.

Mrs. Ford and Mrs. Cross each spoke and the meeting was closed by a few words of prayer from Mrs. Forbes. As the prisoners passed out, each one was presented with a small bouquet of flowers tied with a white ribbon and a card, bearing a verse of Scripture. Flowers were also distributed to the sick.

The next regular meeting of the union will be held Sept. 3.

CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY.

The Hartford Branch of the Children's Aid society and friends held a meeting at Newington Home for Incurables, June 12. The occasion was made delightful by the beauty of the day, and the abundant luncheon which was served under the trees in the orchard which separates the two houses.

The Home has now been established three years and is very successful. Friends all over the state are interested and have given of their time and money to make it a success. There are now 30 children at the Home. Two are at the Hartford Hospital for operations.

The friends gathered today made a thorough inspection of the house and grounds and were well pleased with all they saw. No one can see the children and their comfortable surroundings without feeling grateful that such provision has been made for them.

WOMAN'S WORK NOTES.

It is a safe assertion to make that not one-third of the girls and women who wear aigrettes have the faintest conception of what they really are and at what cost they are secured—a cost which appeals with peculiar force and significance to every woman with the first instinct of maternity within her.—June Ladies' Home Jounral.

Every time a girl decidesfor herself what is best for her to do or not to do she is stronger. This holds even if she does the wrong thing. Our mistakes teach us much. It is well for her to make small mistakes which do not count much. By these she will learn to avoid later errors which count a great deal.—Florence Reid Myrick in the June Woman's Home Companion.

In almost every walk of life there have been great women. But has there ever been a woman who has reached the very highest pinnacle in any field? In the June Cosmopolitan Ella Wheeler Wilcox answers this question in the negative and declares that even in the essentially feminine vocations of cooking, dressmaking and millinery men excel women. "Women," says Mrs. Wilcox, "have not the concentration which gives a clear perspective. They lack system and patience and are distracted by details or turned aside by vanity."

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CHARLOTTE M. YONGE.

Miss Yonge's recent death in her English home was an international bereavement. She has been known for many years the world over as a writer of great power and earnestness, and as a philanthropist of the most practical and admirable kind. "The Dove in the Eagle's Nest" is one of her most famous books.

Caroline Lockhart, who for some years has signed a series of original articles in the newspapers with the pseudonym Suzette, and who appears as the writer of a clever short story in the June number of Lippincott's Magazine, was born on a cattle ranch and raced the prairies on horseback until the time for schooling came. She lived in a little town called Burlingame, in Kansas, on the Old Sante Trail at the time, and came east to a Moravian seminary, where, she says, "I learned the best way to make Vassar fudge and worry the teachers, but not much else." In Boston, a little later, Miss Lockhart began newspaper work, to which she continued to apply herself as a stepping stone to a more ambitious form of writing.

PREVENTION OF TYPHOID FEVER.

Typhoid fever, being a disease that always requires the personal attendance of a physician, may be properly referred to in a paper for Companion readers only from the point of view of prevention.

It is well known that typhoid fever is a water-borne disease, and is commonly taken into the system in drinking water which has become contaminated from the excreta of persons suffering from the disease. Freezing does not in any way impair the vitality of the bacillus of typhoid, so that ice from a river or pond may convey the disease to consumers hundreds of miles, perhaps, from the source of infection.

Milk has more than once been the means of conveying the disease. Fortunately most milk dealers are aware of the necessity of cleanliness in the preparation of milk for shipment. In most modern dairies the bottles, before being filled, are subjected to the sterilizing effects of steam. Epidemics of typhoid fever traced to dairies have in most cases been due to the bottles having been washed with water from an infected well or pond.

Oysters that have been bedded in bodies of water which receive the contents of sewerage pipes have likewise been the means of conveying typhoid fever. Only oysters eaten raw or on the half-shell can carry infection to the consumer, since cooking destroys the bacillus.

A pure water supply is rightly looked upon as one of the greatest essentials to the healthfulness of a community. Many foods—salads, for example—cannot be cooked or subjected to the effects of a high temperature, while, on the other hand, washing them in infected water may render them the means of conveying disease.

Among the chief ways of preventing typhoid fever must be mentioned the care of the stomach itself. It seems highly probable that the natural juices of the healthy stomach are able to destroy many years of disease; but the number which any stomach may be able to digest, and thus render its owner safe from attack, must always be uncertain, and it is not desirable to test its capacity in this direction.

The fact that only certain persons out of a number who have partaken of food or drink infected with disease germs may suffer is explainable on the ground of their different general physical condition, or of the varying states of their digestive organs.

Boiling or cooking in any form destroys all germ life; and food or drink about which there is a question of typhoid infection should be subjected to one of these processes before it is taken into the stomach.—The Youth's Companion.

The mission to lepers in Alomar supports 60 inmates. The spiritual blessing in this large asylum has been so marked that there is only one non-Christian in it.

Conducted by Mr. George Whipple Steele

Questions on musical subjects of general interest will be answered in this department.

NOTES.

Want of space puts the notes on the cantata of "Jairus' Daughter" over until the July number of the Review.

Mr. B. Hartford:

Of all musical instruments, the violin is the most important. It has probably been in use about 300 years. You will find interesting information in Grove's Dictionary under the head of "Violins."

The musical part of the programme at the confirmation services of the Congregation Beth Israel, on Tuesday morning, May 24, was as follows:

Prelude, "March Cortege," Gounod
Anthems, "Behold the Day," Schnecker
Anthem, "King all Glorious," Barnby
Violin Solo, Thorne
B. F. Leventhal.
Soprano Solo, "Show Me Thy Way," Torrente
Miss Ada M. Austin.
Postlude, "Offertoire," Grison
Organist—S. Clarke Lord.

Choir—Soprano, Miss Ada Austin; alto, Miss Mollie Blumenthal; tenor, William L. Porter; bass, Elbert L. Couch.

It is to be regretted that the singers failed to enunciate the words with sufficient distinctness to make their part of this service what it should have been. The service otherwise was very impressive.

We give below the plan of the Fourth church for improving and conducting its music, in the hopes that other churches may benefit thereby. The plan is certainly calculated to interest the young people and benefit the church. We heartily wish it success.

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The tenth year of the vesper service at the Center church closed Sunday, May 19, 1901. Without interruption this beautiful service has steadily gained in popularity with people of all denominations. The present organist was there at its inception, and he has been a most important factor in its success. His art ideals have never overstepped their just bounds in the development of the service, and he has not had to sacrifice good art to poor musical taste. Although handicapped in some ways, he has accomplished much, having achieved a most enviable position in Congregational church music. Musicians know that the Congregational service is one that has very limited art opportunities when compared with the beautiful services of the Episcopal or Catholic church, therefore, all the more credit to Mr. Allen for combining lovely art thoughts with high spiritual moments of worship in the midst of untavorable environments.

It is said that Mr. Andrew Carnegie received the following letter from Mark Twain: "Dear Mr. Carnegie—Under standing that you are blessed at present with an unusual surplus of income, and knowing well your generous spirit and desire to do good to those who will help themselves, I want to ask you to make me a contribution of $1.50.

"When I was a young man my mother gave me a hymn book, which I faithfully used. It is now, thanks to my efforts, worn out, and I think it should be replaced, and you are the man to do this. Appreciating to the full the generous deeds that have made your name illustrious in this and other countries, and believing that in making this donation you will be carrying on the spirit of your work, I am yours faithfully, Mark Twain."

P. S.—"Don't send the hymn book, send the $1.50. M. T."

"Chopped" Music.—"I've heard your chopped music," said the old master. "It was a young woman, with as many white muslin flounces as the planet Saturn has rings, that made it. She gave the music stool a whirl or two, and fluffed down on it like a whirl of soapsuds in a hand basin. Then she pushed up her cuffs as if she was going to fight for the championship belt. Then she worked her wrists and hands, to limber 'em I supposed, and spread out her fingers till they looked as though they would pretty much cover the keyboard, from the growling end to the little squeaky one. Then those two hands of hers made a jump at the keys as though they were a couple of tigers coming down on a flock of black and white sheep, and the piano gave a great howl as if its tail had been trod on. Dead stop—so still that you could hear your hair growing! Then another jump and another howl, as if the piano had two tails and you had trod on 'em both at once, and then a grand clatter and scramble and string of jumps, up and down, back and forward, one hand over the other, more like a stampede of rats and mice than anything I call music. I like to hear a woman sing, and I like to hear a fiddle sing; but these noises they hammer out of their wood and ivory anvils—don't talk to me! I know the difference between a bull frog and a wood thrush."—Dr. Holmes.

None of the astonishing qualities of Margaret Fuller were more marked than her power of speaking truth. Perfectly transparent herself, she detected every deceit in others, and reproved it with serene severity. She did not need the stimulus of indignation or passion to give her courage, but spoke calmly, without heat, as upon any ordinary matter. While she was in Europe, in Paris, a most egotistic, selfish, untruthful man was the object of her condemnation. Her friends and others in the room described it as tremendous. "They all sat breathless; he was struck dumb, his eyes fixed on her with wonder and amazement, yet gazing, too, with an attention which seemed like fascination. When she had done, he still looked to see if she had more to say; and when he found that she had really finished, he arose, took his hat, said faintly, 'I thank you,' and left the room. He afterward said, 'I never shall speak ill of her; she and done me good.'" On one occasion at the Boston Academy of Music, a party had gone rather early and taken an excellent place to hear one of Beethoven's symphonies. Just behind them were soon seated a young lady and two gentlemen, who made an incessant buzzing, in spite of indignant looks from all around. After the concert was over, Margaret leaned across one seat, and catching the eye of this girl, who was pretty and well dressed, said in her blandest, gentlest voice, "May I speak with you one moment?" "Certainly," said the young lady, with a flattered, pleased look, bending forward. "I only wish to say," said Margaret, "that I trust that in the whole course of your life you will not suffer so great a degree of annoyance as you have inflicted on a large party of lovers of music this evening." This was said with the serenest air, as if to a little child, and it was as good as a play to see the change of countenance which the young lady exhibited, who had no word of reply to so Christian a blessing.

MISSIONARY NOTES.

Missionary teaching and Christian literature are leavening native opinion among the Hindus to an extent quite startling to those who take a little personal trouble to investigate the facts.—World-Wide Missions.

That abomination of abominations, Mormonism, is to be inflicted on the Empire of Japan by "Apostle" Heber J. Grant. It will be necessary for the missionaries there to make known, in some way, the true nature of Mormon doctrines and practices, lest heathen and Christian Japanese alike be led astray. —Selected.

Womanly graces of mind and heart are best taught by women. Nothing can make up for the lack of early motherlove and mother-care in a girl's life. The motherless daughter knows this too well. It is much the same in schools and colleges. Girls need the inspiration of a high type of womanhood always; they should have it before them at college, and they should also have while away from home the intelligent guardianship and guidance of women instructors who command both love and respect.—Ada C. Sweet in the June Woman's Home Companion.

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Development shows that such veins tend toward one main fissure a condition similar to that which occurred in the Vulture mine 90 miles east, which is also a free-milling ore, and which mine has paid over $16,000,000 in dividends. Free-milling ore consists of virgin gold imbedded in quartz. The gold is extracted by the mechanical process of crushing the quartz in stamp mills.

When the property was purchased, the showing made by superficial development was such that, in any event, sufficient ore was visible to keep a fifteen-stamp mill busy for many years.

Many shafts, ranging from 10 to 100 feet, have been sunk. Later development discloses the fact that the ore improves in quality and increases in quantity.

The latest development not only corroborates this, but the richness of the ore, increasing with depth, bears testimony to the conditions apparent in all mines in this section of Arizona viz.: that with depth the richest ore is found, where veins from the first are as well pronounced as in the Anti-Cleveland lode.

In addition to this, while the Company has abundance of water at the mill and near the mine, the mine itself is free from it, thus saving expense of pumping and pumping machinery.

The veins occur in granite walls of great firmness, hence do not need timbering, except in the main hoisting shafts, thus saving much outlay in that direction.

From the foregoing, it is evident that while the Company has a good business proposition from the start, without the usual mining risk, the features of a bonanza are so pronounced as to be almost assured.

This possession of a lode full of rich gold ore having been substantiated through a most critical examination of the property by a competent Hartford man, it remains to demonstrate why the results claimed can be obtained, and how they are assured to the stockholders.

Assays from all parts of the lode range in values from $22.37 to $571.00 per ton. Ore milled from five shafts yielded gold in bullion returns of $20.00 to $85.00 per ton. The Company milled 221 tons of refuse ore, with an average yield of $9.40 per ton.

By taking the lowest assay value of $22.37 and the lowest mill return of $9.40, an average of $15.88 is obtained. From this deduct cost of mining and milling, $7.50, and the net profit remaining is $8.38 per ton.

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These results are secured to stockholders by the following provisions: The officers of the Company, competent to superintend their respective departments, are at the same time stockholders.

It is therefore to their own interest and profit to make the stock productive.

To this end they have agreed to work for nominal salaries (less than a good mechanic's wages) until the stock produces and pays regular dividends.

As a guarantee of the above, and to bind them to work successfully, as well as to furnish more capital should the amount now raised not be enough, 400,000 shares have been deposited with a Trustee, to remain in his hands until the mine is on a dividend-paying basis. The deeds and all the other important papers are in the hands of a Trustee in Hartford (and herein lies the difference between this and other mining enterprises).

No. 80 William St.,
Hartford, Conn., Nov. 12, 1900.

Received this day of Edw. A. Meysenburg, President, Guadalupe Mining and Milling Company, for safe keeping and in trust for the company and its stockholders, as follows:

A. For safe keeping.

1. Articles of incorporation, with letter of Attorney General of Arizona authorizing the transaction of business.
2. By-laws of the Company.
3. Deeds to mine.
4. Deed to Mill and Mill site.
5. Plat of properties.
6. Letter of Mining Engineer and Metallurgist, Jno. C. F. Randolph of New York, endorsing Mr. Geo. U. Ingersoll, the Company's engineer at the Mine.

B. In trust for stockholders:

7. Deposit of 400,000 shares of full-paid stock, as guarantee of good faith and of sufficiency of funds to be held until two dividends have been paid to stockholders out of Net earnings.
8. Agreement that no salaries shall be paid to any person not actually employed by the Company in producing results, and that until a dividend out of Net earnings has been paid no salary to any one officer shall exceed $2,000 per annum.

(Signed) H. M. Andrews.

LITERARY DEPARTMENT

In the June number of the Review of Reviews the editor analyzes educational conditions in the south, having regard to the needs of both races. Dr. Shaw's comments on the facts brought out at the recent conference in North Carolina, at which he was present, will be read with interest north and south.

An unpublished diary by Francis Parkman, the great historian, will appear in the July Scribner's. It is his account of a journey made through and around Lake George in 1842. It is said to be full of his acute and satirical observations of men and nature.

Wheat speculation, love and business are the motives of a great serial story by Merwin-Webster, authors of "The Short Line War," which was begun in the Saturday Evening Post of May 25th.

The Century for June is a college number, the opening paper, by Miss Alice Fallows, being an exposition of the delights and difficulties of "Working One's Way Through College," and the two closing body articles being devoted to a consideration of "Alleged Luxury Among College Students," the writers —President Hadley of Yale and Provost Harrison of the University of Pennsylvania—agreeing that there is little to excite alarm in present condition at least in the institutions over which they respectively preside.

Modern Culture for June appears with a new cover design, the work of Sarah Noble-Ives of New York. It is a clever drawing of a modern girl in unconventional pose against a poster effect of holly hocks and summer greenth, and is an advance upon previous work by this gifted artist.

The important topics of the month, the world over, are popularly discussed in the current World's Work. The financial boom and panics, educational matters in the south and elsewhere, the doings in Cuba, China, the Philippines, the president's trip, and the Pan-American exposition are among a large number of subjects talked of in the March of Events, and in Among the World 's Workers are such varied topics as public land, postal statistics, English parcel delivery, bridges, automobiles, trade schools, music, the Y. M. C. A., engineering, machines, steamers and trains.

Sweetheart Manette. By Maurice Thompson, 259 pages, 12 mo. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott Co. Price $1.50.

The author of the very successful "Alice of Old Vincennes" wrote this book some time before the more famous one appeared. It is a love story of great charm and originality. Its scenes are laid in Louisiana. While the story is a short one, its merits are very soon apparent and the liveliness of the dialogue and incident hold the attention closely.

"OUT OF THE CORE OF THAT SUNSET."

From "The Tower of Wye." Copyright, Henry T. Coates & Co., 1901.

The Nineteenth Century: A Review of Progress. By Various Authors. 494 pages, 8vo. New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons. Price $2.

This volume presents a comprehensive review of the progress of the world during the past 100 years. It comprises 37 chapters, each dealing with a different department of human activity, written by scholars who are recognized as authorities on the subjects treated by them. The list includes such well known names as Leslie Stephen, Andrew Lang, Edmund Gosse, Arthur T. Hadley, Julia Ward-Howe, Andrew Carnegie, and others equally well known.

The chapters are grouped under eight main heads, as follows: Law and Government, History, Sociology, Literature and the Fine Arts, Education and Science, Applied Science, Transportation, The Science of War. It is a volume that will be of practical and constant value as a book of reference in any library.

The Tower of Wye. By William Henry Babcock. 330 pages, 12mo. Philadelphia: Henry T. Coates & Co Price $1.50.

A story of colonial life in Maryland full of exciting and dramatic events. The hero and a companion are sent from London by a business firm, to Claiborne's colony in Chesapeake Bay. The story relates the numerous adventures

and mishaps that befell them and describes their love affairs.

The local color is excellent. The weird effect of bringing legendary tales into actuality is strong. The author is a new writer, but he seems to have many tricks for high effect that will certainly distinguish him in his future work.

The book is excellently illustrated by George Gibbs. Through the courtesy of the publishers we are enabled to reproduce one of these, and also to give a portrait of the author.

Joseph Parker, D. D.: His Life and Ministry. By Albert Dawson. 176 pages, 16 mo. Boston: The Pilgrim Press. Price 75 cents.

The author of this attractive little book was formerly private secretary to Dr. Parker, but is not now connected with him, so that he has the double advantage of intimate acquaintance and complete independence in preparing his sketch. We have proverbial testimony that the valets of heroes do not worship them, and it must be about as hard to win unfailing respect and admiration from a private secretary, but Dr. Parker has accomplished this, and the book is the product of one who believes in the genuine greatness of the subject. The sketch makes no pretense of completeness or critical judgment, but aims to give an intimate glimpse of a notable figure.

The Gentle Art of Pleasing. By Elizabeth Glover. 173 pages, 16 mo. New York: The Baker & Taylor Co. Price $1.

The author, impressed, during much association with young people, by the pathos in the great unpopularity some of them have suffered from, has studied the reasons and in a fair and unbiased way tried to solve the problem presented.

She has noted that these young people, keenly conscious of their social exclusion, were yet, as a rule, unconscious of its reasons. She found that often the unfortunate ones were not of an age or temperament to appreciate and profit by De Quincey's or Emerson's essays and philosophizing on social matters. So this little book, designed for just such cases was written. It is charming in its kindliness and impressive for the excellent advice and suggestions it offers.

Robinson Crusoe at Home, a Tale of a Deserted House. By C. Howard Gilman Young. Price 50 cents.

Tales of My Parrot (The Monkey of Birds). By the same author. Price 50 cents.

The author, Professor Young, has been for many years a resident of Hartford. He is an invalid and the author of a most bright and cheering book entitled "The Sunny Life of an Invalid 18 Years in Bed."

The above are two recent works of his which are published simultaneously. The first is a highly entertaining account of his enforced residence for five months in a deserted mansion. His adventures while there are numerous enough to make one wonder wherein he had the advantage of "Robinson Crusoe" on his desert island.

"Tales of My Parrott" are bright little anecdotes relating to one of the author's pets. The whole tone of Professor Young's writings is so full of cheer and sunshine that it appeals especially to anyone depressed mentally, or who suffers physically.

The books named above will be sent upon receipt of price. Address Professor C. Howard Young, 230 Asylum street, Hartford.

WILLIAM HENRY BABCOCK.
Author of "The Tower of Wye."

Linnett: A Romance. By Grant Allen. 394 pages, 12 mo. New York: New Amsterdam Book Co. Price $1.50.

An excellent photogravure portrait of the late Grant Allen forms the frontispiece to this, the last complete novel by him.

"Linnett" is a book of deeply involved plot and of many characters. Most of the scenes are laid in the Tyrolean Alps, though the course of the story carries the reader to English scenes and to Monte Carlo. The hero is a young Englishman of ambitious temperament, who, while sojourning in the Alps, falls in love with "Linnett."

The love story is a beautiful one and is powerfully and ingeniously worked out. It is surprising that this book has not received more attention.

"Lambs of the Fold" is a little booklet designed for presentation to a child on the occasion of its baptism. It has a place for filling in the name, date, and place of baptism. The pages, of which there are fifteen, bear illustrations in half-tone and pen and ink decorations to accompany little verses appropriate to the occasion. The booklet sells for 25 cents. Published by The Pilgrim Press. Boston, Mass.

Milly: At Love's Extremes. By Maurice Thompson. 266 pages, 12mo. New York: New Amsterdam Book Co. Price $1.50.

This is a story of the Southern mountains and is as beautiful and tender a love story as the year has brought forth. The author wrote the popular "Alice of Old Vincennes." "Milly" is a much earlier work by Mr. Thompson. It shows lack of finish and care in some details, but nevertheless, has been honestly referred to as "far better than "Alice."

The characters are well depicted, the dialect unartificial and the dialogue bright and natural. The book is beautifully bound, and is illustrated.

The Warners. An American Novel of To-Day. By Gertrude Potter Daniels. 252 pages, 12mo. Chicago: The Jamieson-Higgins Co. Price $1.25.

A scathing attack upon greedy and unscrupulous Capital, written with the intensity and apparent sincerity of another Mrs. Stowe. The evil in the abuse of power is brought out with force and seeming sympathy for the victims. Miss Daniels, it is explained, is the daughter of a millionaire capitalist, and she has used her opportunity as an independent member of society to study less fortunate humans and their conditions.

The book is not a great novel or a deep study. It is an interesting, forcible story with a mission, containing some scenes which are revolting, but profitable to read, notwithstanding.

With Ring of Shield. By Knox Magee. 364 pages, 12mo. New York: R. F. Fenno & Co. Price $1.50.

A knight of the court of Richard the Third relates here, and in his old age, this romance of the days when he was involved in adventure and intrigue. Tournaments and scenes of lovemaking occupy most of the narrative, which is in a brilliant, lively vein and holds the attention steadily. It is a satisfaction to find a romance like this as fascinating as some pages of Scott which produced thrills of breathless interest when read for the first time.

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REWARD OF ENDEAVOR.

What hast thou for thy scattered seed,
O sower of the plain?
Where are the many gathered sheaves
Thy hope should bring again?
"The only record of my work
Lies in the buried grain."

What is the harvest of thy saints,
O God, who dost abide?
Where grow the garlands of thy chiefs,
In blood and sorrow dyed?
What have their servants for their pains?
"This only—to have tried!"

—Julia Ward Howe.

LOVING MY NEIGHBOR.

"Who is my neighbor?"

"If I should see
A brother languishing in sore distress,
And I should turn and leave him comfortless,
When I might be
A messenger of hope and happiness—
How could I ask to have what I denied,
In my own hour of bitterness supplied?

"If I might sing
A little song to cheer a fainting heart,
And I should seal my lips and sit apart,
When I might bring
A bit of sunshine for life's ache and smart—
How could I hope to have my grief relieved,
If I kept silent when my brother grieved?

"And so I know
That day is lost wherein I fail to lend
A helping hand to some wayfaring friend;
But if it show
A burden lightened by the cheer I send,
Then do I hold the golden hours well spent,
And lay me down to sleep in sweet content."

—Bradt.

CHURCH VACATIONS.

AN ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION TO AN ENDLESS DISCUSSION.

By Rev. Frank Dixon.

When hot weather comes work suspends itself. Man in the tropics is never very industrious. New England in July and August is sometimes tropical. Every man whose business permits it gives himself rest during these months. The man who works hard right through the torrid season likes to imagine that he is particularly virtuous, but he is not. The delusion, however, comforts him, and does little harm to others. He might be permitted to enjoy his Pharisaism unmolested, but for the fact that occasionally he becomes belligerent, and threatens to disturb the peace of others who have less self-confidence and more conscience than he. The newspaper editor is probably the walking-delegate of this periodical agitation against vacations. Now is it against vacations in general that the newspaper directs its onslaughts. The editorial bosom heaves with tumultuous emotion when the question of ministerial vacations thrusts itself upon him for solution. As he toils and grinds in his sanctum through the heated season, the thought of city pastors bathing in the surf or breathing the pure mountain breezes seems to torment his soul worse than the sight of Lazarus in Abraham's bosom did that of Dives who lifted up his eyes in a region much like that of the editorial sanctum in July and August. The agonizing cry of the city editor for the ministrations of the sanctuary in mid-summer might lead one to suppose that he would go to church if he only had a chance, but no, indeed. It is simply his public spirit that wrings that cry from his soul—public spirit and the evil necessity of filling up so much space per day with editorial wisdom. He is impartial in his philanthrophy. If pastors received no vacations at all, he would be the first to champion their cause. He would denounce the cruel selfishness of the churches that had no pity on the men who have the burden of their interests upon their hearts through the year. He would demand that two months be allowed every pastor in the land, with increased salary, if such were needed to enable him to take an ocean voyage. There is nothing narrow or mean about the editor. He assumes that the public has too much sense to take him seriously always. If he is wrong in this assumption, so much the worse for the public. The pastor needs to be kept humble, so the discipline he gets out of the varied discussions of the vacation problem may prove to be the tribulation which worketh patience for him It is to be hoped that at least so much good may result. What is the actual situation?

One needs but to open his eyes and see the facts. The church people who have taken their religion seriously have devoted their energies to the work of the kingdom through ten consecutive

months. They have not been content merely to go to church once a week. They know that such attendance is the least that any soul could offer God without hypocrisy. They know that mere church attendance would not keep any church alive ten years; that it would not save a soul; that it would not win a victory. The people who count in the churches are the people who work—not those who merely attend. When summer comes, these people are tired and worn in proportion to the fidelity and consecration they have shown. The man or woman who feels no need of rest is the man or woman who has earned no rest. They are not the people who have any judgment worth attention respecting the vacations of others who have been faithful.

If the chief value of the church lay in its Sunday worship, vacations would be an unwarrantable interruption. The Sunday worship of the church, however, is the least significant feature of this life. It has its value, and the church cannot dispense with it, but the kingdom of God will never come by means of Sunday worship. If the people of the churches possessed the spirit and purpose of Jesus Christ and practiced his method, every church building might be locked up for a year without injury to the kingdom. The church was mightiest and most victorious before He had any buildings to worship in. It might bring her close to God's throne to discover anew that neither on Mt. Gerizim nor at Jerusalem, nor in any holy place is God to be worshipped, but anywhere, everywhere by those who accept his spirit and practice His truth. The notion that the preacher must be on hand, and the sacred building opened, is pure superstition, if superstition can be "pure." Religion does not suspend because the church is closed. The work of Jesus Christ must be done the year round by the individual men and women who believe in His gospel, whether the church is open or closed. The pastor is but one member of a church. His absence at any time need not paralyze the church. If he were present he could only perform his individual task, the people would have their tasks just the same. His absence ought to prove great blessing to the church by throwing the responsibility directly upon the people to whom it belongs anyway. If there were no summer season, no church would be wise to keep its pastor at his post all the while. It ought to send him away for at least a month, whether he wants to go or not, that the church might test its ability to do its own work.

What of the pastor himself?

He is the laziest, most worthless mortal on earth, rehashing old sermons and treading the beaten track of tradition, and making himself socially agreeable to hold his job, or he is the most industrious man in the community, reading as many books as any literary editor, writing more addresses than any lawyer making as many calls as any doctor. Unlike the newspaper editor who fumes and sweats over long ministerial vacations, the pastor is necessarily hindered in the range of his discussions. His task is therefore doubly difficult. He must command the interest of a public in themes that have been presented for centuries by the keenest minds of the race. Though his range of topics is limited in a measure, it is nevertheless imperative that he shall be familiar with every field of human endeavor and thought. Every day that passes increases the burden upon him. The average term of life for successful pastors is probably shorter than that of any other class of men. Every one of them doubtless does the work of any other three men in the community. As the intelligence of the public increases so that men and women will refuse more and more to listen to pious twaddle from the pulpit, the demands upon the pastor will grow more exacting. As the Cristianity of the churches becomes more Christlike and practical, the pastor will find it increasingly necessary to keep in touch with every movement of modern life. As the fact is more clearly recognized hat religion is the supreme concern of humannity, and not merely an affair of priests and preachers and churches, the pastor will be thrown more and more into the center of the world's activities where the duties devolving upon him will be tenfold heavier. He is now worked to the limit of human endurance; that spirit which prompts a man to growl at thought of his vacation is unspeakbly mean.

REV. H. M. THOMPSON.
Pastor Memorial Baptist Church.

MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH.

This church was organized July 1, 1884, with a membership of 33. There were few who believed the movement was wise or promised success. In fact for years there were those who said virtually, "that which they build, if so much as a fox go up, it shall fall." It was not strange that such a sentiment should exist at the outset. A church fo 400 members had been gathered in the locality which it was proposed to occupy, and had failed through internal strife and a heavy debt.

Moreover the 33 were very poor. Not a person of means among them. Help must come from without. But the little company was full of faith and not easily daunted. Their faith was seen in their works.

DIFFICULTIES.

A council for advice was called, consisting of wise and conservative Baptists of the city. After a kind hearing had been given to the committee from the proposed church membership, they were turned away with the advice that

they see how much *money* they could secure. How often churches have rested on a gold basis, rather than on God. But the movement had not received its quietus. Soon the representatives returned with a bona-fide list of subscribers who had pledged $1500 for a year. This subscription was a strong argument and opposition was withdrawn.

FRIENDS IN NEED.

This amount was not raised without great sacrifice on the part of the members. They wore their old clothes; they earned money by taking in washing; they deprived themselves of comforts to aid God in the work. But the result would not have been attained without outside assistance. The writer would take this opportunity to acknowledge the assistance rendered at that crisis by such men as Charles Jewell, Rodney Dennis, Samuel Kellogg-Gustavus A. Davis, and many others whose names are not at hand.

PASTORS.

Rev. H. P. Smith was the first pastor and was with the church through a little more than three years of very trying experiences. But there was much joy attending the work of those years, for many were rescued from the dominion of sin.

Rev. J. C. Emery was the second pastor, an excellent preacher and a man of large business ability. He remained but a few months.

The present pastorate began on the second Sunday in August, 1888.

GROWTH.

Progress has been made along all lines. The Bible School has steadily increased to an enrollment of 325 under the efficient leadership of H. H. Dickinson. One marked feature of the school is the large number of boys' classes. The membership of the church had reached 132 at the close of Mr. Emery's pastorate. Since that time 193 have been added by baptism and 221 others, a total of 447. The present membership is 271. The financial condition has kept pace with numerical growth. In 1888 the church faced a debt of $300 in current expenses, but decided to ask no more outside aid for support. They also undertook the purchase of the property on Washington street, which they had been suffered to occupy. Seven thousand dollars was the cost. Mr. Lockwood, of the firm of Case, Lockwood & Brainard paid the first thousand. The Baptist State Convention paid the last thousand. Friends arose on every hand. It was a five years effort, but the task was completed. Meanwhile the place was renovated throughout and reseated. It was wonderful how things came about. Special providences were frequent. For instance frescoeing was out of the question, though greatly needed. A friend, not a Baptist, was passing in a carriage and stepped in to see the changes. The gloomy and dirty wall and ceiling struck the eye, and the result was an immediate order for the painting of the walls and ceiling. At another time a benevolent member of the First Baptist Church was present when a report was read, showing about $25 deficiency. He did not sleep until he had made out a check for the amount. I cannot mention such friends by name, but the Master knows them all, and has made a note of these things. Though the burden has been heavy throughout the years, and though the church was never out of debt entirely until April 1, 1901, yet twice has the pastor's salary been increased.

CHARACTERISTICS.

Every church has a certain individuality, and this is true of Memorial. It finds no difficulty in carrying out some methods which older churches find it hard to introduce.

A VIEW OF THE AUDITORIUM, MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH.

Offerings for church support and Missions are weekly and voluntary.

Seats are free and unassigned. There is thus no class feeling fostered—the rich and poor worship side by side.

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The strength of the church is given to direct religious work. No attempt is made to give mental or physical training, or to furnish recreation. The members are left largely to a sense of obligation to Jesus. If they serve him they will go where he would have them go and do what he would have them do.

The membership is constantly changing. Fully two hundred of the present membership have joined the church during the present pastorate.

MEMORIAL.

We are often asked of whom the church is a memorial. We answer, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." This church is not a memorial to any man, though many men and women have built something of themselves into it. But we say rather, "If the Lord had not built the house, they would have labored in vain who built it."

MISSIONARY NOTES.

Not only is the interest and effort and money which might be employed in the great cause of evangelizing the dark places of God's world bestowed on the costly accessories of public worship; but they are so bestowed under the belief that they are thus dedicated to God's service: and it is forgotten that far more precious in His sight than sculptured shafts and glowing glass and the sweetest strains of choral song, is the salvation of even one undying soul which he created, for whom Christ died.—Bishop Jackson

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The Director of the China Inland Mission has compiled a list of the Protestant missionaries and their families who were killed in the uprisings of 1899 and 1900 The total number is 186, of which 52 were children. Of this number the China Inland Mission lost 78; the American Board, 18; and the American Presbyterians, 8. Classified with regard to nationality, 98 British lost their lives, 65 Swedish, and 32 Americans.

If Christianity is to redeem itself it must evangelize the world. The anti-missionary church brands itself as un-Christian. More disastrous than all the assaults of infidelity, more perilous than rationalism, and more to be deplored than worldliness is the apostacy of that church which discredits itself and discounts its cause by stolid indifference to the Lord's supreme command. —James I. Vance, D. D.

Said a Chinaman in China: "Send us missionaries with *hot hearts*." The converted heathen was right. Are our conceptions of a true Christian character, of the need of the times and the demands of the causes, as scriptural as this? There is as much need of such missionaries in America as in China God help us all to be such, and give us all *hot hearts*! These are the only kind desirable.

All ears are opened to a tale of heroism. Nothing so quickens the pulse and brightens the eye and inspires great purpose. The history of missions is an unbroken record of heroism. Read it from the days of Paul to this last year in China where forty thousand native Christians met death rather than recant. The church needs some such infusion of heroic life to save it from the pharisaic leaven of commercialism.—Alva W. Taylor.

REV. JOHN COLEMAN ADAMS, D. D.

We present this month a portrait of Rev. John Coleman Adams, D. D., who has accepted the call of the Church of the Redeemer of this city to become its pastor. Dr. Adams was born in 1849 in Malden, Mass., where his father, Rev. John G. Adams, was minister of the First Parish Church. The elder Mr. Adams was one of the best known of the earlier generation of Universalist ministers. Dr. Adams was graduated from Tufts College in 1870 and from Tufts Divinity School in 1872. His first settlement was in Newtonville, Mass., over a small church worshipping in a hall. Under his efficient leadership a fine church building was erected and a large and enduring growth was achieved. From Newtonville he was called to Lynn, Mass., to be pastor of one of the largest churches in the Universalist denomination. He next settled over St. Paul's Universalist Church in Chicago, as the successor of Rev. Dr. W. H. Ryder, one of the ablest men ever in the Universalist ministry. In 1888 he became pastor of All Souls Church in Brooklyn, N. Y., where for the last thirteen years he has been settled. The degree of D. D. was conferred on him in 1888 by Tufts College.

Dr. Adams has been closely identified with the wider interests of the church and with many educational and philanthropic institutions. Since 1895 he has been a trustee of the Universalist general convention. He is a trustee of Tufts College, and has been one of the non-resident lecturers to the Divinity School. For several years he superintended an annual course of historical lectures for the school children of Brooklyn in his church.

Dr. Adams is a writer of charming literary stle, particularly in description of nature. Besides various magazine articles, he has published "Nature Studies in the Berkshires." He is a thoughtful and stimulating preacher, and a man of genial and magnetic personality. Dr. Adams has a wife and three children.

REV. DR. J. COLEMAN ADAMS.

The Church Review extends a welcome to Dr. Adams and his family, and trusts that they will find the religious and social atmosphere of Hartford congenial.

For the portrait of Dr Adams we are indebted to The Hartford Courant.

THE OPEN HEARTH.

The summer work thus far has been of the most gratifying character as showing the interest felt by those for whom the institution was established. Even the continued warm weather did not deter many from attending and taking part in the meetings which, though somewhat fewer in number, have been well attended.

The Sand Yard has been a source of great pleasure to the children of the neighborhood and it has become necessary to admit children by ticket where possible. The swings are well occupied and the croquet grounds are also a source of great pleasure to the larger girls.

The Children's meetings are held as usual every Thursday evening and are well attended. Much interest is manifested by the children and the songs they learn will probably be a source of pleasure to them in after years and to those who come after them.

The Gospel Wagon meetings are continued and the assemblages which greet its arrival show that many look forward to it with pleasure and feel a interest in that work. Supt. B. N. B. Miller leads the meetings and is assisted by others in the addresses from the wagon.

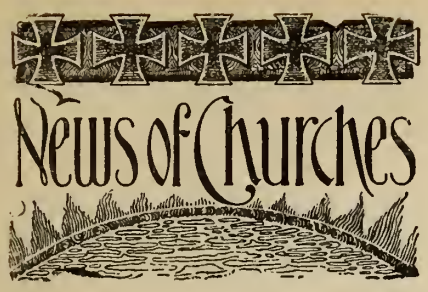
HARTFORD CHARITIES.

The readiness of the Hartford public to give in a good cause has been well illustrated during the past month in the spontaneous subscription for the benefit of Miss Ida L. Hatheway, the young nurse who lost her eye-sight from contagion received in the pursuit of her duties. One of the newspapers started the movement with a gift of fifty dollars. The suggestion met with such a response that in a few days the hope was expressed that as much as five thousand dollars could be raised. A few days later the five thousand limit was passed, and the subscription nominally closed at $7,907. Gifts however, have continued to come in, and the fund now stands at about $8,200.

The Charity Organization Society has recently issued a statement calling attention to the need of closer scrutiny in regard to solicitors—especially in regard to those who ask aid in the support of enterprises outside of Hartford. The Charity Organization Society maintains a bureau of information concerning such enterprises and invites the charitable public to make free use of its facilities.

The Courant Fresh Air Fund expended in trolley excursions to Rainbow Park, has become a regular feature of Hartford's summer months. Nearly one thousand dollars already has been subscribed, and the first excursion goes Wednesday, July 17th, with two hundred or more needy women and children under the care of the Friendly Visitors of the Charity Organization Society.

It is the glory of our age that the modern hero stands forth armed not with swords and spears, but weaponed with love and kindness, with service and sympathy.—Newell Dwight Hillis.



SOUTH BAPTIST.

The members of this church and their friends gave an excursion on July 4th to Fenwick. One hundred and sixty-nine people were on board and all had a very enjoyable time. An orchestra of five pieces rendered the music for the day. Ice cream was sold to any who wished it, while soda was served free.

The boat left the dock about eight a. m. and did not make her appearance again until nine p. m. All seemed pleased with their day's outing.

A reception was given Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Seymour on the evening of June 25th, in the chapel. A large number was present. The decorations were very pretty and an orchestra rendered music for the occasion. Cream and cakes were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Seymour have been connected with this church for a number of years and are among the most active workers..

The Sunday school had their yearly picnic at Laurel Park July 1st. Quite a number of children and their parents took the trip, filling two cars. Although the day was very warm, yet the children seemed in good spirits.

The King's Daughters Circle gave their yearly Tea to the old ladies of the church on the afternoon of June 27th, in the chapel, quite a number being present.

A meeting was held at the Old Folks' Home duing June by the Chistian Endeavor Society.

Our Hospital services on Sunday afternoon, at 3:15, are being fairly well attended. Let others come.

Our pastor, Rev. Frank Dixon, has been attending the C. E. convention, held in Cincinnati, and has been one of the speakers on the regular programme. We wish many more could have attended this convention from Hartford, knowing they would have been greatly enefitted.

TRINITY CHURCH.

The closing session of the Sunday school was held June 23d by a service in the church, with a processional from the chapel, where the opening exercises were held. The season's work was reviewed by the Rector, who commended the excellent results shown in the annual reports then distributed.

Mr. Bromfield then reviewed the social features of the past year, the mass meetings, picnic and ball game, and the numerous interesting and instructive lectures given. A vote of thanks was passed, which, coming as it did, so unexpectedly, to those in charge, was highly gratifying.

The great success of the past year is looked upon by the officers not to their credit, so much as in the hearty cooperation of the efficient teachers, who have given very generously of their time; and further, to the interested and steady attendance of the scholars, many of whom did not miss a single Sunday during the term.

The Rector's family is now away at the shore for the summer, where Mr. Miel will join them for his vacation during the month of August.

The assistant superintendents of the Sunday-school are both summering at Pleasant Valley, and Mrs. R. J. Goodman, one of our teachers, has gone on a trip to Europe.

The Girl's Friendly Society recently gave a very enjoyable entertainment in the Parish house, realizing a tidy sum for their work.

WETHERSFIELD METHODIST.

Elder Adams will be with us Sunday afternoon, July 28, at three o'clock. He will preach a short sermon, after which communion will be administerted.

The Quarterly Conference will be held after the service.

GLENWOOD CONGREGATIONAL.

We learn that during the summer months not a few of our churches do not hold any services Sunday nights. To the members of these we wish to extend a cordial invitation to attend our services, which will be held every Sunday night.

We also learn with regret that some of these same churches have discontinued having any Sunday-school dur- July and August. It is our belief that Christ's work should go on in summer as well as in winter. Our Sunday-school is to continue during the above months, and we most cordially invite all members of Sunday-schools that have been closed, to come and study God's word with us.

Mrs. C. W. Crane and family are at Short Beach. Mrs. McGeehon and Miss Phipps are guests of Mrs Crane. Mr. McGeehon goes to Short Beach on Mondays returning Friday to take charge of our mid-week prayer meeting and Sunday services. Our prayer meetings are held Fridays instead of Thursdays, to give our pastor the opportunity of being with his family during the week and having a much needed rest.

Our C. E. society expects to have President Goslee take charge of its meeting July 21st. We hope many will attend.

One of our earnest Sunday-school workers, Mrs. H. E. Williams, is to leave for her home in Vermont, July 25th, to stay six weeks.

The members of our Sunday-school enjoyed their annual picnic on July 2nd at White Oak Grove. All had an enjoyable time until the time for leaving for home, when a terrific storm broke, frightening quite a number. Financially our picnic was not a success and we would say that any who would like to contribute toward paying the deficit may hand same to Mr. Hastings, supt. We were pleased to see Miss Reed after her long illness.

At our last communion service, July 7, we had two new members join the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Wilder are to leave on July 27th for a two weeks vacation around Bridgeport.

Mrs. F. A. Pease spent a week with Mrs. Phipps of Medford, the last of June.

WINDSOR AVE. CONGREGATIONAL.

The vesper services held at four o'clock Sunday afternoons, have been discontinued until the fall.

An evening prayer meeting service is held Sundays at 6:30 during the month of July.

Rev. H. E. Peabody, the pastor, will take his vacation during the month of August.

Miss Ruth Palmer was sent by the Y. P. S. C. E. as delegate to the Endeavor convention held in Cincinnati.

The individual communion service has been adopted in the church, and was used for the first time at the July communion.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter G. Camp are attending the General Council of the Forward Movement of the Congregational churches held at Silver Bay hotel, Lake George.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER—UNIVERSALIST.

The annual picnic of the Sunday-school was held at Lake Compounce, Monday, July 1st. About one hundred went down in special cars at 9:30 a. m. returning at 7:00 p. m. The day was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

The meetings of the church, Sunday-school and Young People's Guild, were discontinued the last Sunday in

June to be resumed the first Sunday in September.

Dr. John Coleman Adams, the new pastor of the church, has taken up his residence in this city, and will assume the duties of pastor the first Sunday in September.

OLIVET BAPTIST.

On Friday, July 13th, our Sunday-school gave its annual picnic to the grove at White Oak, and it proved a most enjoyable occasion.

Our pastor leaves this week for his summer vacation, which he is to spend in New Brunswick. During his absence the pulpit is to be supplied by different ministers chosen by the pulpit committee.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

The Sunday-school picnic was held in connection with Trinity church and Grace chapel, at White Oak Grove, New Britain, on Saturday, June 22nd. A large number of scholars attended and a very pleasant day was spent.

A delegation from the Blind Institution on Wethersfield Ave., attended and were entertained by the Good Shepherd Sunday-school. They greatly enjoyed the outing.

The annual Masonic service, in memory of the Holy St. John the Baptist, was held at the church on Sunday afternoon, June 23rd. The service was conducted by the Rector, Rev. C. G. Bristol, Associate Grand Chaplain, and Rev. J. P. Faucon, assistant rector of Christ church. The full vested choir under the direction of Organist A. M. Hollingshead, rendered the musical part of the service. The hymns were familiar tunes and were heartily rendered by the men and congregation. The sermon was delivered by the rector and was an able discourse on Free Masonry and its relation to the church. A collection was taken for the Fresh Air Fund.

On Sunday, June 30th, the Rev. H. J. Watson, formerly rector of this church, assisted the rector in the morning service. He preached the sermon and was closely followed by the congregation, a large number present remembering his faithful service and ministrations in the church. He is now located at Trinity chapel, New York.

The Sunday-school teachers and choir of the church had a trolley ride and basket picnic on Saturday afternoon July 13th, at Rainbow Park. The afternoon was greatly enjoyed by all who went. Walks were taken, base ball catching indulged in, the swings used and boating on the river enjoyed. The ladies served a fine lunch on tables under the trees. Fine coffee was made by one of their number, who is an expert in that line. Singing was heard on all sides during the afternoon, and with united voices when the car was boarded for home. A hearty vote of thanks was given the rector for the outing, which was enjoyed through his invitation.

PARK CONGREGATIONAL.

The Rev. Wm. W. Ranney left on Monday July 15th, for his vacation in the mountains of North Carolina.

The Rev. Dr. m. Walker of Wilmette, Ill., a classmate and friend of Mr. Ranney, will supply the pulpit the two remaining Sundays of July. The church will be closed as usual during the month of August. Church services, the Sunday-school and the meetings of the Young People's society will be resumed the first Sabbath of September.

A number from our society of Christian Endeavor attended the very interesting meeting of the Hartford Union held at Unionville, June 27th.

The subject of the meeting was "Do Something for Somebody," and along this line Mr. Beadle of our society, addressed the meeting briefly upon the work and needs of the North Street Settlement.

The annual Sunday-school picnic was held this year at Compounce lake, and the good number that attended had an especially enjoyable time.

UNITY CHURCH.

On the 15th of June the annual Sunday-school picnic was held at Lake Compounce. A special car was chartered and a large number attended. The picnic was under the able supervision of Mr. F. M. Mather, and was voted one of the most enjoyable in the history of the school.

The last church social of the season was held in the church parlors June 28th. A short play, "Fit and Suitemall," written by Miss Kate F. Ellis of this city was presented for the first time, and very successfully. The parts of Miss Fit, the dressmaker, were taen by Miss Pond and Mr. Mather, respectively. Miss Clark, Miss Mulligan, Miss Moses and Miss Eaton took part as the dressmakers' dummies, and Mr. Morgan, Mr. Honiss, Mr. Sturtevant, Miss Baker, Mr. Cutting and Mr Searle were the tailors' dummies. After the play light refreshments were served.

Church services are discontinued through July and Agust. The last three Sundays in June Mr. Waite preached a very interesting series of sermons on Tennyson. The first was on "Tennyson, the Poet;" the second, "Tennyson's Vision of Sin;" the third on "In Memoriam."

ST. PAUL'S METHODIST.

During July and August our Sunday evening service will be combined with the Epworth League prayer service begining promptly at 7 p. m. and closing at 8:15. A chorus choir of young people will be a pleasing feature.

Our financial secretary, Mr. Roswel E. Merrill, mourns the loss of his father who died in Holyoke, Mass., recently.

Mr. William J. Osmond and Miss Annie Janes will be married in St. Paul's church on Thursday, July 18th, at five o'clock.

The pastor and his family will rest a month among the Berkshire hills, beginning July 20th. The committee will see that the pulpit is well supplied as well as provide efficient leaders for the Thursday evening prayer meetings.

The Plainville assembly, July 24th to 31st, promises to be unusually attractive this year, as well as Camp Meeting from August 2nd to 12th.

MEMORIAL BAPTIST.

During the summer there will be but one evening service on Sunday. This will be in charge of the B .Y. P. U., and will begin at 7:30.

We are glad to have the Orphan Asylum boys with us again at the morning service and in the Bible-school.

One of our members, Mr. John MacKenzie, will sail for Scotland during the coming week, where he will visit his old home.

Our pastor s family has gone to Vermont to spend the summer.

SOUTH CONGREGATIONAL.

The pastor and his wife have been absent for several weeks on a vacation in Europe.

Rev. Mage Pratt administered the communion at the morning service on July 7th.

The Sunday-school held a picnic at Rainbow Park on June 22nd. The morning being stormy made it exceedingly doubtful whether it could be held and greatly diminished the attendance, but those who went, umnbering in the neighborhood of one hundred and fifty, had an enjoyable time.

The young people's meetings were brought to a close June 30th.

Willard E. Brown who has been active in our church work, especially in the Young People's Society, and has made many friends among us, has removed to Boston since our last letter.

His departure is an occasion of rea regret.

Miss Mary M. Harris and Huntington P. Meech represented this church at the Forward Movement Council held at Silver Bay, N. Y., in the interests of a closer relation between the churches and the cause of missions.

General Henry C. Dwight addressed the closing meeting, the subject of which was "Religion and Patriotism."

NEWINGTON CONGREGATIONAL

The Sunday-school at Elm Hill celebrated Children's Day June 16th. The exercises consisted of singing and recitations by the children.

Mr. E. A. Crawford was elected president of the C. E. in place of Miss Effie Piney, resigned.

Individual communion cups have been purchased. Each member gave fifty cents to meet the expense.

Messrs. Alfred Pinney, Newel Osborn and Charles Camp were appointed to select a suitable grove for the annual Sunday-school picnic.

July 14th the Young Ladies Mission Circle gave a concert on Japan, about which they have been studying for the past year.

Miss Anna and Mr. Myron Latimer are spending the summer with their parents in Los Angelos, Cal. Atwood is very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. John Fish and Miss Fish have returned from Buffalo.

WETHERSFIELD CONGREGATIONAL.

During the last quarter seventeen members of our Sunday-school were present every Sunday, and thirty-seven were present every Sunday but one.

Our Sunday-school picnic occurs sometime during the last week of July.

Our pastor expects to be away during August.

Three were received into our church at the last communion.

Evening services are discontinued during July and August.

BLOOMFIELD CONGREGATIONAL

Miss F. J. Webster, who, for a number of years has been engaged in work for the A .M .A., and who at present is principal of the Chandler Normal school at Lexing on, Ky., is spending the month of July in Bloomfield at the Congregational parsonage.

In place of the Endeavor Society meeting Sunday evening, July 14th, there was a Sunday-school concert on the general topic of "Character Building." The exercises were interesting and brief and greatly enjoyed by all.

The Ladies Benevolent Society is realizing a very helpful sum from the sale of ice cream every Friday evening. The work being divided among so many it is not at all burdensome.

Summer weather is having its effect upon church and Sunday-school attendance, and besides the shore and mountains are having their attractions now.

Mrs. A. H. Brown and her daughter, Mrs. Cairns, of Hartford, have recently taken their letters from this church to the Windsor Ave. Congregational church.

There were no accessions to the church at the July communion. Four boys have been proposed for active membership in the Endeavor society and will be voted in at the next business meeting.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, EAST HARTFORD.

In the death of Mrs. A. E. Kilbourne, the church loses one of its most active and enthusiastic workers.

The marriage of Mr. Fred T. Moore and Miss Rena B. Williams was one of the prettiest, as well as the largest attended, for many years.

Our Endeavor Society sent as its delegate to Cincinnati our Junior Superintendent, Miss Luella G. Recor.

Plans are being made for the celebration of our bi-centennial as a church next year.

WEST HARTFORD CONGREGATIONAL.

On Sunday morning, June 16th, the church was filled to overflowing for the Children's Day exercises. The platform was tastefully decorated with ferns and daisies. Seven children were baptized, and three who were baptized seven years ago were given Bibles. A sermon appropriate to the occasion was delivered by Rev. T. M. Hodgdon, and at the close bouquets were distributed to the children, a custom of the church.

The Northwest section of the parish gave a social on Friday evening, June 28th, in the church parlors. A very interesting program consisting of vocal and instrumental music, reading and tableaux was given under the direction of Mrs. W. E. Brigham. Refreshments were served on the lawn.

Miss Viola Doolittle was appointed as a delegate to attend the conference at Lake George.

The regular Sunday evening service will be omitted during the summer months and the C. E. society will change the hour of its service from 6 :30 to 7 :30 o'clock.

The prayer-meeting committee decided at a recent meeting to hold a short prayer service, lasting fifteen minutes, before the regular C. E. meeting. The plan has been adopted and will doubtless will prove of great benefit to the society, especially to its younger members.

The attendance at the morning service, July 15th, was unusually large for a warm July Sunday. The beloved pastor of the church, Rev. Thomas M. Hodgdon, having closed the first decade of his work, preached a most interesting sermon recalling the events and progress of his ten years pastorate.

BLOOMFIELD METHODIST.

The Ladies Aid Society gave an ice cream and strawberry festival June 19th, from which they realized a neat sum.

The Hartford group of Young People's societies met with our Epworth League Chapter, June 28th. The day being exceedingly warm there were not as many societies represented as had been anticipated. Rev. H. S. Scarborough, pastor of the local church, welcomed the delegates heartily and Rev. H. C. Whitney, president of the group, responded to the welcome. Rev. J. F. Dunkerke rendered an interesting discourse on "Youth or Golden Opportunity." Following, Rev. A. L. Hubbard defined "Junior Work" very clearly and said that the utmost care should be taken to interest and gain the love of the children.

Supper was served in the basement of the church.

Mr. Symonds opened the evening session by leading the devotional service, after which Mr. Whitney called the roll and introduced Rev. B. B. Brown, the District President, from whom all were delighted to hear. Rev. C B. Pitblado delivered the address of the evening. The exercises of the day were closed in a fitting and impressive manner by all kneeling before the altar rail for a few moments of silent prayer.

A lecture on the Holy Land, entitled "The Footsteps of the Lowly Nazarene," was given by Ulysses G. Houston, July 1st.

The Gleaner Society held their annual election of officers July 5th.

July 4th the Epworth Leaguers enjoyed a clam bake in Mr. Caswell's grove on West St. The day was superb and the goodly number who went seemed in the best of spirits.

CENTER CHURCH.

The Vesper service has been omitted until October, and our Sunday-school has been closed till September.

Mr. Potter is spending his vacation at Black Point. In his absence Mr.

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THE SUMMER MIGRATION.

And now comes the season when all of us who can, pull up stakes, and for a period set up our tents in some new locality, at the seaside, in the mountains, or in some quiet village. Anything to escape, if only for a brief period, from the heat and dust and devitalized air of the city.

It is a comparatively new movement—this general exodus from our cities—and is perhaps largely owing to the fact, that a largely increasing proportion of the population has in comparatively recent years, made their homes in the city.

The cities are continually drawing their numbers and vitality from the small country towns. Go back two or three generations in almost any family of your acquaintance, and you will find that they were country born and bred.

So it is natural for us, when conditions make life in the cities almost intolerable, to go back to the homes of our ancestors, or to any other place where there is plenty of God's fresh air to fill our lungs; where our range of vision is not bounded by the house across the street; where we can feel a sense of real ownership in all we survey, and appropriate the best part of it for ourselves, no matter who owns the title deeds.

For the sea and the shore are ours; the trees and the brooks of the mountains, and the valleys we behold from their heights, are ours; the blue sky and the summer clouds are ours; and all in a true sense if we choose to appropriate them.

And what a mental tonic it is to realize our sense of ownership in these things. Vacation then does not mean simply a letting out of belts as we take on flesh, but it means a healthy expansion of the mind, a wider mental vision, a gain of real intrinsic worth to us, even if not gauged in pounds or inches.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR CONVENTION.

There are many who have claimed, and some with unholy glee, that the Christian Endeavor movement was on the wane, but the convention just held at Cincinnati has shown evidences of anything but decline.

The attendance, it is true, was not so great as at some previous conventions, owing largely to the extremely hot weather, but it was a magnificent assembly that packed Cincinnati's great Music Hall to its sky gallery. The movement has reached the healthy period when banner-waving, boisterous throngs are not leading characteristics of its conventions, yet there was no lack of real enthusiasm and deep spirituality.

The meetings were all attended by immense throngs from all quarters, and its international aspect was much in evidence. A rich programme of addresses by eminent clergymen and laymen was successfully carried out, and as the delegates from all over the world returned to their home societies, they took with the a rich fund of helpful suggestions, and spiritual life, which must surely have a great influence in promoting not only Christian Endeavor work in particular, but the work of Christ in general, everywhere.

Long life, and continued and even greater usefulness to the cause of Christian Endeavor!

THE Y. M. C. A. CONVENTION.

The International Jubilee Convention of the Y. M. C. A. of North America, which closed its session in Boston, Mass., June 17th, was one of the most remarkable assemblies of the year in point of attendance, high character of the delegates and questions discussed.

It was the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Organization of the Y. M. C. A. that was commemorated at the recent Boston Convention. There were two thousand regularly accredited delegates, and several hundred visitors accompanying them, to say nothing of a large number of persons residing in Boston and vicinity who were in constant attendance. The meetings were held in Mechanics' Building, which comfortably seated nearly six thousand people, and was extensively and tastefully decorated with the flags of all nations.

President McKinley was to have been present at the opening of the Boston Convention, but was prevented from attending by the illness of Mrs. McKinley. He telegraphed his sincere regrets and his good wishes for the success of the Convention. Greetings and kind wishes were received by cable from the King of Italy, Emperor William of Germany, the President of the Swiss Republic, and King Edward VII of Great Britain, all of which were enthusiastically cheered by the audience, and thanks and acknowledgments were cabled in return.

BUSINESS AND PLEASURE.

Mistress: "I wouldn't hold the baby so near the tiger's cage, Nora."

Nora (the nurse): "There's no risk, mum. Th' tiger is a 'maneater,' and th' child is a gir-rul."—Chicago News.

HUNTSINGER'S BUSINESS COLLEGE.

This college placed 781 graduates in situations in the fifty-five months and one week ending June 28, 1901, a fact which speaks for itself.

At the end of the term just closed Miss Helen Young, of Meriden, obtained a ten-dollar gold piece for the highest speed in touch typewriting on a Remington machine. Miss Bessie Hall received a five-dollar gold piece for the second highest speed in touch typewriting on a Remington machine.

Many students have enrolled already for the opening of the college, which takes place September 2nd. People who are interested should write for a copy of "THE HANDWRITING ON THE WALL," and "WE KNOW FROM EXPERIENCE." The new catalogue will be out the first of August and all interested in a business or shorthand course should write or call and state what particular branch interests them, when detailed information will be cheerfully given. Pro-

fessor Hnntsinger is a man well qnalified by training and experience for his chosen profession, and the fact that he has had marked success in it is demonstrated by the class of pnpils he places in the bnsiness world.

His associate teachers are all experienced men.

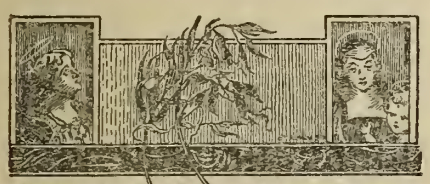
Friend: "What became of yonr poem called 'Light, Beautiful Light'?"

Poet (sadly): "The editor turned it down."—Philadelphia Record.

MASLEN'S MONUMENTS.

Anyone interested in the snbject of monuments and artistic dcsigning and chiseling of stone work, will be well repaid by a visit to the warerooms of Mr. Stephen Maslen, No. 40 High street. An unnsnally full stock of fine monnmental work can now be seen, and at no time of the year can better prices, or a more painstaking care in filling orders, be secnred, than now.

Recent contracts which have come to Mr. Maslen inclnde the monnment which is to be erected at Antietam by the 34th N. Y. Infantry, and the two bronze deer which are to be mounted on granite pedestals six feet in height, and placed at the corners of the Deerfield avenne and Albany avenue.



WOMAN'S WORK

WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union has issued postals to the members asking that the vacation work be the secnring of at least one new member. If each one of the one hnndred and forty-five members does this what a power we might be in this city. It is not only additions to our nnmbers we need, but more enthnsiasm in the work and better attendance at the meetings.

THE SHELTER FOR WOMEN.

Each month brings to the Shelter new opportunities for helpfnlness, and added evidence that it is doing a unique and important work. Dnring the past month a large nnmber of women have come to the Home, and the family has nnmbered frcm fifteen to twenty-one. Some have received temporary assistance, while others remain until snitable places of employment can be obtained.

The Clothing Bnreau is now installed in the room recently added to the bnilding for this purpose, and the new qnarters are mnch appreciated. The telephone recently put in, is proving of great convenience, and will enable many who wish to make donations to the Cl:thing Bnrean to call np the Shelter, (call 1026-5), when a messenger will be sent for any articles intended for the Home.

The nsnal Friday morning and Sunday afte.noon services have been held dnring the month, led by Rev. Mr. Ramsdell, Rev. Mr. Keeler and others.

July 4th was celebrated with a picnic at Manchester, and the onting was much enjoyed by the large nnmber who attended. A bonntifnl dinner, inclnding ice cream and lemonade, was provided and a thoroughly good time was the result.

Mr. Brooks, the Cedar Hill florist, has very kindly provided window boxes filled with beautiful plants, which are much enjoyed. The Wethersfield Flower Mission has also kindly remembered us with cnt flowers for distribution among the neighbors.

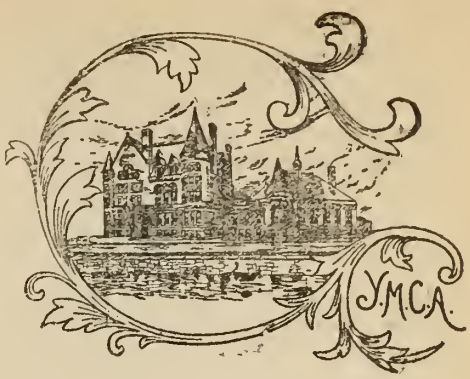
Mrs. Ramsdell, who came to temporarily assist in the Home, has retnrned to South Manchester, and Mrs. Ida S. Coates, formerly at the Orphan Asylum, is now assisting Miss Hadley in the management of the Home. Miss Halstead, the beloved matron, is with friends in Massachusetts, where she is resting and regaining her health after her recent severe illness. She expects to resume her work here early in September.

CONNECTICUT CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY.

The work of the society is going on with the nsual summer phases in full operation. Prosser Cottage at Bloomfield has a pleasant family of boys and girls enjoying country life and the seaside cottage "Playridge," at Woodmont, is also fnll with a happy family from a New Haven mission. There are thirty inmates at the Newington Home, and all are enjoying out-door life as much as possible. The small farm-house at Newington is now nsed for a few boarding children who need homes.

If any readers of the "Review" know of good family homes for any of our children, they will confer a great favor by commnnicating with our office, Room 60, Chency Bnilding.

It is also possible that some readers may have second-hand furnitnre or matting, or clothing that they can spare for this home, if so, the society wonld be grateful for snch articles and will send for them if notified.



Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

During the vacation months plans for the winter campaign beginning October 1st are matured. The General Secretary and his assistants are bnsy at work. It is the intention of the management to present a very delightful program of privileges to the young men of the city for the coming winter. In the edncational department there will be renewed life and activity nnder the directlon of Mr. George A. Gregg, new educational secretary, who entered upon his dnties the 16th of Jnly. Mr. Gregg is a yonng man of 37 years of age and has been engaged more or less in Association educational work during the past five years. He is a college man and has also taken fonr years in actual machine shop work to fit himself for mechanical engineering. He is considered an expert in the lines of mechanics, mechanical drawing, engineering, wood work and other lines of industrial edncation. He is also thoronghly interested in the other departments of educational work as undertaken by the Yonng Men's Christian Associtaion.

In the Boys' department plans are being matured for quite an extensive work. Mr. C. E. Pomeroy, the new secretary, is now on the field and is occupied in working np the details of the many sided work to be carried on in that department. He has just retnrned from ten days in the Boys' camp at Tnxis Island.

The Religious Work Department is planning for an aggressive campaign in the eeffort to reach yonng men and bring them nnder the influences of the Gospel. Attractive meetings for Sundays are being arranged for, and advance steps in Bible study are being provided.

The Board of Management is considering the advisability of making an effort to raise the mortgage indebtedness of $24,000 It is greatly hoped that this effort will be snccessful as it will relieve the Association of a burden of $1000 per year in interest, besides clearing the way for development in some important directions.

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Talmadge is occupying the pulpit and is giving a great deal of satisfaction.

The organ is to have an overhauling and will receive some needed repairs during the present vacation season.

FOURTH CONGREGATIONAL.

Fourth church will be open for all regular Sunday services all summer. Pastor Kelsey will leave for his vacation after July 21st, and will return for communion service second Sunday in September.

A vacation aspect is coming over things. The large chorus choir has begun its two months holiday. The Young People's class has suspended for the summer; morning and evening services reveal many empty seats.

The season is also bringing changes in the pastor's helpers. Mr. Barker of the class of 1901 of the Seminary, takes Mr. Handy's place as superintendent of the Sunday-school and Mrs. Jennie Doherty, of Holyoke, Mass., takes Miss Eddy's place in the primary department.

The Sunday-school picnic to Compounce was a success. About 350 scholars and friends spent the day at the grove. An event of the day was the base ball match between members of Miss Dresser's class and a team from the Intermediate department captained by Dr. Roberts. The Intermediate dep't won by a score of 12 to 8. Sunday-schools with ball teams are asked to write Dr. Roberts, Cheney building.

At the second quarterly review of the year we tried a review by pictures. Each teacher was given a number of pictures on the life of Christ. The scholars were then asked in turn to describe them. The one who described it best became its owner. The plan worked well.

The two Endeavor societies of the church sent Mr. Edward Benedict to the International C. E. Convention at Cincinnati.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN.

The Young People's Association gave a very interesting and enjoyable social on the evening of June 25th, which was largely attended. Refreshments were served. Three young men have been added to the membership during the last month.

The annual picnic of the Sunday-school was held at Lake Compounce, July 12th. About 100 attended, and the number would have been very much larger excepting for the very threatening weather of the morning. Toward evening the skies cleared, however, and all enjoyed the day.

Our pastor, Rev. W. W. Breckenridge, exchanged pulpits with Rev. Dr. Blake of the First Methodist church, Sunday, June 16th, at the morning service.

Sunday evening, July 7th, a service was held in memory of the former pastor of the church, Rev. J. Aspinwall Hodge, D. D., who died recently at his home at Lincoln University, Oxford, Pa. The Rev. Joseph H. Twichell, and the Rev. Professor Gillett of the Seminary, took part in the service. Dr. Hodge was pastor of the church twenty-six years, and his death comes very close to a large number of the members of the congregation.

Our church will be open throughout the summer, the Sunday-school and young people's meetings being continued without intermission. The pastor will be present until after the second Sunday in August.

NORTH METHODIST.

Rev. Mr. Howell, our pastor, and family, are at Sunset Beach, Branford, for the months of July and August. Mr. Howell still conducts the services during July, but will be absent all of August.

The Sunday-school and congregation show the effects of the vacation period.

Services during the evening will be omitted during the months of July and August. The services in the morning will be conducted as usual, the pulpit during August being filled by different ministers.

The Sunday-school picnic to Highland Lake was greatly enjoyed.

Superintendent Howard A. Camp is enjoying a three week's outing at the seashore.

The Endeavor society had a pleasurable ride down the river on a steamboat last week. Thirty members went.

A number of the members of the Sunday-school graduated from the different schools, and the figures of merit were above the average.

Miss Annie Cairns has returned from her recent sickness and has resumed her position as teacher in the northeast school.

Miss Elsie Dresser, the organist, will go on her vacation during August to Sherbrooke, Canada, where the family are domiciled in a new cottage.

WINDSOR CONGREGATIONAL.

At a meeting of the Ecclesiastical Society, July 8th, it was voted to accept the plans for the new parish house as presented by the architects, Curtis and Johnson, and to begin to build as soon as the building now on the site can be sold and removed. It was also voted to build a new parsonage.

The following have been elected officers of the Endeavor Society for the six months beginning July 1st:

President, Fred Chidsey; vice pres., W. H. Griffin; cor. sec., Miss Elsie Taylor; treas., Alvin Hubbard.

About 180 enjoyed the outing of the church and Sunday-school at Laurel Park.

Two members of the Endeavor Society, Edgar Wilbur and Miss Jennie Peck, were made one in the bonds of matrimony, June 19th.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

Vacation time is gradually depleting our ranks for a while, though not enough to reduce the number of meetings.

Our monthly Bible study for July, at the Pastor's house, had the subject of Agnosticism to consider. An interesting and lively meeting was the result, with faith confirmed.

Rev. G. L. Teeple, the father of our Pastor, preached to us Sunday, July 14th, while our Pastor went to Worcester.

The church will be closed Aug. 4th and 11th, on account of the camp-meeting at Springfield, which is usually attended by the most of the people.

ASYLUM HILL CONGREGATIONAL

The last session of the Sunday-school for the season was held June 10th. It will reopen Sept. 15th.

The Young Peoples meeting is omitted during July and August.

ST. THOMAS CHURCH.

Bishop Brewster visited the parish for confirmation Sunday afternoon, June 16th. There was a large congregation to welcome the Bishop, and at the same time we were delighted to see our Rector, Rev. George R. Warner, back again after his long illness. He was present and presented the class for confirmation, Mr. Lilienthal having instructed them during Mr. Warner's absence. The Bishop preceded an eloquent sermon with some very touching remarks referring to Mr. Warner's illness and Mr. Lilienthal's care of the parish. Mr. Warner is very much improved in health and resumed parish work the first Sunday in July, being assisted in the communion service on that day by Rev. Jerry Knode Cook of Baltimore, formerly of this city.

The annual Parish and Sunday-school picnic was held at White Oak Grove, Monday, July 1st, and was more largely attended than for several years, there being five car-loads, and notwith-

standing the heat, all had a good time.

We are sorry to chronicle the serious illness with typhoid fever of one of our Sunday-school teachers, Miss Edith Sherwood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Sherwood of Bellevue street.

TRINITY CHURCH, WETHERSFIELD.

On Wednesday evening, July 17th, there will be an Ice Cream Social in the Parish house. It is hoped that this social will be well attended as the proceeds go towards paying the expenses of the Sunday-school picnic. It will also give those who are not acquainted with our new Rector, Rev. Karl Rieland and Mrs. Rieland, an opportunity to meet them.

The Sunday-school picnic will be held at Lake Compounce, Wednesday, July 31st. The special cars which have been chartered for the occasion will start from in front of the Parish house at 8 a. m. Anyone wishing to purchase tickets may obtain same from any one of the committee in charge. The committee consists of G. M Furnival, George Chapin, E. C. Budge and A. L. Hanmer. An advance sale of ticktes has been reported.

BLUE HILLS AVENUE CHAPEL.

Summer heat and summer vacations have lessened the number of our workers and made the attendance of the Sunday services somewhat smaller.

Mr. Gaylord has taken a church at Frankfort, Maine, where he is at work among the quarrymen there. He expects to return to the Seminary and his work with us in the fall. Meanwhile Mr. Meserve, also of the Seminary, is taking Mr. Gaylord's place and we expect good results as he identifies himself with the work in its various branches.

The ladies have replaced the old and well-worn carpet with a new one, and the chapel, always supplied with flow from Mr. Arthur Colton's gardens, looks bright and attractive. The schoolhouse is easily reached by trolley and an invitation is hereby extended to any who would like to visit the C. E. meeting at 6:15 o'clock, and the preaching service which follows.

SUFFIELD ST. BAPTIST.

Beginning July 14th, we shall have Mr. Erwin K. Smith preach for us during the summer while Mr. Albert L. Wyman is taking his vacation.

Erwin K. Smith, Brown '02, who is going to be with us this summer, has, with a college friend, been visiting the Buffalo Exposition and after returning from there spent ten days at Northfield, attending the Young Men's Conference.

Some of the members of the Physical Culture Club enjoyed a boat ride, on the river on a Tuesday evening recently. Although the class has discontinued its drills for the summer, the members seem to be interested in healthy forms of exercise still.

Several of the young men of the chapel are spending their vacations canvassing with good success. We miss them from our meetings and shall be glad when school reopens and our ranks are filled up again.

On a recent Friday evening, the special collection taken was to help in paying the expenses of Miss Thayer to the Cincinnati convention, and amounted to four dollars.

The ice-water fountain at City Hall is in almost constant use these hot days and we feel very grateful to all those who have helped in the enterprise.

NEW BRITAIN AVE. MISSION.

The Blossom Band, with their leader, Mrs. Belden, together with some of the younger classes and their teachers, had a picnic at Goodwin Park on the 1st. They made an enjoyable day of it.

The Sunday-school picnic at White Oak came off Friday, the 12th.

The evening service has been discontinued until September 1st. Among the speakers at the evening service were Mr. Tuller of Boston, Mr. Hodgdon of West Hartford and Prof. Samuel Hart of Middletown.

WETHERSFIEID BAPTIST.

Our church property was injured on the night before the Fourth of July by some young men of the town who celebrated by tearing away and destroying the steps.

Our Sunday-school will soon go on its annual picnic. The place has not yet been decided upon.

Sunday evening services are given up through July and August.

SOUTH CONGREGATIONAL, EAST HARTFORD.

The drama "Among the Breakers," which was given some time ago by the young people of our church, was successfully repeated in Comstock's hall. The proceeds, which amounted to over seventy dollars, was given to the D. A. R., Martha Pitkin Wolcott Chapter, under whose auspices the entertainment was given, to be added to the Meeting-house Green Fund. This fund is to be expended in preserving the old meeting-house site near Blinn's saw mill.

Our pastor has gone with his family to the seaside for a two weeks vacation. During his absence the regular morning service will be conducted by the Endeavor Society. These meetings will be union meetings with the Juniors and will take the place of the evening meetings.

Our annual Sunday-school picnic will take place Thursday, July 18th, at Laurel Park.

FARMINGTON AVE. CONGREGATIONAL.

A Strawberry and Ice Cream Festival was held recently by our Christian Endeavor Society. Through the courtesy of Mrs. Alden, the festival was given on her lawn. It was well attended and was a gratifying success in every way.

The Sunday-school has closed for the summer, but the Christian Endeavor meetings are held reularly and are quite well attended.

June 29th, our annual church picnic was celebrated at Highland Lake in Winsted. About one hundred and sixty attended and a thoroughly enjoyable time was had by all.

FIRST BAPTIST.

During August, owing to the diminished attendance of the Sunday-school, it will be taught as one class. The leaders have been chosen for each of the four Sundays in the month.

On Sunday, the 21st, Rev. W. W West of Williamsport, Pa., a former member of our church, will conduct the morning worship.

A very pleasant occasion was a garden party given Wednesday evening, June 26th, to all who had joined the church during the present pastorate. Though at first it was intended to hold the party on Mr. J. G. Batterson's lawn, the plan was changed and through Mr. Batterson's courtesy the grounds of the Central Golf Club were used. A large number was present and an excellent program which included music by the Beeman-Hatch orchestra, was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

Mr. Batterson, at a recent midweek prayer-meeting, read an epic of his own composing, on "Creation." It is a work of remarkable power, impressive in its language, and full of the evidences of a life study of great problems of nature.

On July 2nd, our Sunday-school members braved appalling heat. Three hundred went to Suburban Park in Unionville for the annual church picnic and had an enjoyable time in spite of the depressing weather.

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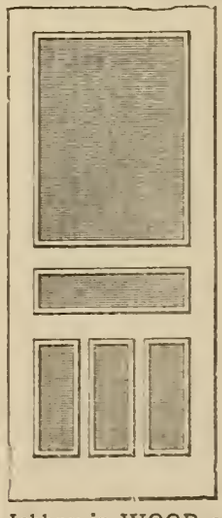

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HARTFORD C. E. UNION NOTES.

The Union held its summer meeting with the Unionville Y. P. S. C. E. at the Congregational church, June 25th. Three special cars were needed to carry the Endeavorers, and the Unionville people were well pleased that so many came out.

The topic discussed was the same as has been spoken of in these columns before. "Do Something for Somebody," divided as follows:

"The Relation of Sunday-school Work to Christian Endeavor," Mr. David Calhoun, Supt. Farmington Ave. Church Sunday-school.

"North Street Settlement," Mr. Beadle of Park church.

"Personal Work," Mr. Nelson B. Bassett, Farmington Ave. church.

"Encouraging Beginners," Dr. E. H. Munger, West Hartford.

"Visiting the Sick," Mr. Lewis W. Ripley, Glastonbury Congregational church.

"Welcoming Strangers," Mr. A. H. Brooks, Wethersfield Avenue Congregational church.

As will readily be seen we relied wholly upon local talent and had one of the best meetings of the year.

The Unionville society entertained us royally at the close of the meeting.

The secretary of the union has just returned from the International C. E. Convention, held at Cincinnati, Ohio, and is at work upon a report of same to be read to the various societies of the Union who did not send a representative.

CHRSTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS.

(From the Presbyterian C. E. Manual.)

July 14—Individual Work for Christ. Acts 8: 26-40.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

Men are oftenest won one by one.

We cannot work alone for Christ, for he always works with us.

One member in earnest may accomplish more than a whole purposeless church.

God speaks only to single souls.

The work we do alone will be honored before all men.

Every saved soul has a special service appointed it.

One and Christ are a sufficient working force.

We are sent as we are saved—one by one.

The kingdom needs mightier units, rather than more units.

Each Christian is given a special vision of his own harvest field.

July 21—A Strong Weak Man. Judges 16: 20-30.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

Strength ill used becomes lost.

Samson was shorn of his integrity before he was shorn of his hair.

Perverted gifts become arrows of vengeance.

Samson was a man in his muscles but a child in his will.

God does not give great gifts merely for our sport.

Samson lacked self-control, which is strongest strength.

If the will is weak, strength of body counts for little.

God gave Samson a great gift and a great opportunity, and he misused both.

Every life that loses its high purposes becomes a shorn Samson

Sin steals strength.

July 28—Missions: True Philanthropy. Gal. 6: 10-1.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

Apparent help may be real hurt.

The gospel meets man's deepest need.

When we help men's souls, their souls soon help their bodies.

The gospel makes true homes out of mere dwelling places.

Life is safest where the gospel is most honored.

Civilization is but the handmaiden of Christianization.

Missions war against all things that war against manhood.

Righteousness reigns where religion rules.

Bene volens—well wishing—is at the root of all missionary endeavor.

Aug. 4—Gaining by Losing. Mark 1: 28-30.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

It is not loss to exchange rags for fine linen.

A Christian gives up nothing worth keeping, and finds everything worth having.

The highest achievement comes by surrender.

Not until we are ready to give up all can we go up into all.

Selfishness is inseparable from spirituality.

When "get" is life's law, loss is its result.

All the world arrays itself against the man who lives for self alone.

Selfishness is sin.

There is no loss like the loss of God's favor.

Leave all for Christ, find all in Christ.

The Christian life's losses are for time; its gains, for eternity.

Aug. 11—Enemies and Arms. Eph. 6: 10-18.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

Saints should be strong in serving and serene in suffering.

God's power has been bequeathed to God's people.

The Christian soldier never fights alone.

Only the divinely armed can outdo the devil.

Not our prowess, but our armor, is our hope.

Strength is proved by standing as well as by striving.

Christians are given supernatural ability to meet supernatural adversaries.

God's friends must expect to fight his foes.

We have help from above to conquer enemies below.

We may have aid from without ourself to overcome enemies within ourself.

The "cycle corp" to go out into neighboring villages and hold open-air meetings is being organized by the Liverpool Christian Endeavor Union.

The Denver Christian Endeavor Union Hospital Committee secures societies to take turns in conducting hospital services every Sunday afternoon.

The Colorado Endeavorers made an excursion from their State convention at Colorado Springs to the summit of the Rockies, ten thousand feet high, where they had a game of snowball in June and a luncheon by camp-fire.

Four Endeavor societies numbering 420 members have been formed among the Boer prisoners in Ceylon. These added to the seven societies at St. Helena make twelve, with 970 members.

The less a young man talks about luck and untowardness of circumstances, and the coquetishness of popular favor, and the like, the better for him and for the world to which he owes himself. Every man will have all the power he earns, and the power that he has will tell, not because people like him but because it is power.—Parkhurst.

Conducted by Mr. George Whipple Steele.

Questions on musical subjects of general interest will be answered in this department.

CANTATA AT THE HILL CHURCH

The services at the Hill church, Sunday evening, May fifth, will long be remembered by the lovers of good church music who were present and heard the sacred Cantata, "The Daughter of Jairus," by Sir John Stainer.

This work opens with a short adagio movement of eighteen measures which lead to an extended allegro movement, the two forming an instrumental introduction to the Cantata.

To the writer, this introduction seemed to be without significance as a prelude to the beautiful words of No. 2:

"In that day shall the Lord of Hosts;" "O, Lord be gracious unto us;" "He will be very gracious unto thee at the voice of thy cry." In this number the voices are made to answer each other, and by the art of the composer the meaning of the text is effectively emphasized. Something sublime is seen in the faith of the great prophet who spoke these words hundreds of years before the appearance of Him to whom Jairus did not appeal in vain. As faith in God is the real subject of this Cantata, the choral recitative is the real introduction.

No. 3 contains recitative, solo and while the bass voice is supposed to exchorus. In this number the soprano and the chorus have the narrative while the bass voice is supposed to express the feelings of Jairus as he pleads with Jesus.

The recitative "Fear not, believe, and she shall be made whole," most fittingly introduce the fine tenor song "My hope is in the Everlasting." This song serves an art purpose, on one hand and is also supposed to express feelings of an exalted nature aroused by what has preceded.

No. 5, "Jesus cometh unto the house of the ruler." The short recitative here is a prelude to the sweet chorus, "The Wailing." Then follows a recitative, No. 6 The chorus now introduced is for tenors and basses: "Chorus of Unbelievers."

No. 8, Recitative and Chorus. The recitative completes the narrative, while the chorus carries the hearer from past events into regions of spiritual thought and meditation.

No. 9, combines the best that Mr. Stainer had in art with loving thoughts of God as expressed by the text.

The closing number of the Cantata is a lofty expression of praise to God.

The singers, on this occasion, acquitted themselves with credit. The chorus was particularly good in quality, enunciation of words and expression. At times there was a degree of timidity that would be overcome in a repetition of the work. In the last number there was no lack of spirit, but the volume of sound was inadequate to the sentiment of the words. The number of singers should have been doubled.

The solos were given by Mrs. Roulston, soprano; Mr. Kenyon, bass and Mr. Maercklein, tenor.

Mrs. Roulston had the thankless task of giving the recitatives, the burden of this form falling to the soprano voice.

Mr. Kenyon moved the people by his sympathetic singing in No. 3, "My little daughter lieth at the point of death."

Mr. Maercklein sang most effectively in the song, "My hope is in the Everlasting." and in the lovely duet for soprano and tenor: "Love Divine; all love excelling." Mrs. Roulston and Mr. Maercklein made these impressive words doubly impressive by their singing.

Mr. Lord was fortunate in his playing of the organ on this occasion, and contributed in no small degree to the success of the entertainment.

This Cantata is not a great work, but it is interesting, of moderate length, and presented as it was by the choir of the Hill church, it makes a very delightful evening's entertainment.

The meaning of song goes deep. Who is there that, in logical words, can express the effect music has on us? A kind of inarticulate, unfathomable speech, which leads us to the edge of the infinite, and let us for moments gaze into that.—Carlyle.

One evening I found Felix Mendelssohn deep in the Bible. "Listen" he said and then he read to me in a gentle and agitated voice the passage from the First Book of Kings beginning with the words "And behold the Lord passed by." "Would not that be splendid for an oratorio?" he exclaimed; and it did become part of his work the Elijah.—Hiller.

COLOR-BLINDNESS.

It is little more than a hundred years since this curious defect in vision was discovered by scientific men, and barely twenty-five since its practical bearing in relation to railway employees became fully appreciated. It occurs in varying degrees, from a slight confusion of two of the elementary colors to an absolute inability to distinguish any color at all, everything not pure black or white having a grayish hue.

It is said that one person in every twenty-five of the male sex is more or less color-blind, although only one in four hundred of the gentler sex is so afflicted.

The defect often runs in families, and the curious fact has been noted that, although the boys are the subjects, the trouble comes from the mother's side, Thus the children of a color-blind man. both boys and girls, are free from any defect of this kind, but the sons of his daughters will have their grandfather's inability to distinguish colors while his grandsons in the male line will escape. This of course is only a general rule, and exceptions to it are not very infrequent.

The defect may be acquired as well as inherited. It may occur as a consequence of disease or accident, or it may result from the excessive use of alcohol or tobacco.

A color-blind person loses much of the pleasure to be derived from the sight of flowers, pictures. and the like. Otherwise the defect is of no special importance, except in the case of railroad men and seamen, upon whose ability to distinguish between red and green signals the lives of hundreds often depend. It is in regard to these two colors that the defect is most common.

Many persons, indeed, who are not regarded as color-blind, and who can answer to the various tests. are unable to see the red berries in a bunch of holly or barberry. unless they are very numerous, or until they have been pointed out.

In testing for color-blindness little skeins of different colors and shades are used, and the person is given one of a certain color, usually light pink or green, and told to match it as nearly as possible from the bunch before him.

There is no cure yet known for color-blindness, although slight degrees of the defect are sometimes helped by the wearing of yellow-tinted glasses. This is hardly worth while in the case of an ordinary person, and it is wholly inadequate in the case of a color-blind railroad man or navigator.—The Youth's Companion.

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The July Century is a Summer Fiction Number, with stories long or short, by Mary E. Wilkins, Frances Hodgson Burnett, Irving Bacheller, Seumas McManus, Josephine Dodge Daskam, Anne Douglas Sedgwick, Stewart Edward White and Elliott Flower, the creator of Policeman Flynn.

Mr. Howard A. Bridgman describes the Twentieth Century Club, a unique organization in Boston, in a contribution to the July number of the "Review of Reviews."

The "Woman's Home Companion" for July may be called an Independence number. The cover design, by Mr. Relyea, shows the Fourth-of-July illuminations on the vessels in the Sound. "When Independence was the Stake" is the title of a fascinating short story.

Scribner's Magazine for July has an attractive flavor of adventure, sport, travel, and holiday-making out of doors. These are entertainingly presented, both in the text and in the abundant illustrations of the strange countries which are the subjects of the narratives.

Booker T. Washington tells the story of Hampton school achievement in a handsomely illustrated article in the current World's Work. He believes in work as the salvation of the race.

Modern Culture Magazine was in advance of all its contemporaries when it presented in its June number a critical paper on "Notable Paintings at the Pan-American Exposition." Following this signal success it gives its readers in July a trilogy of articles of especial interest to Pan-American visitors

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In Search of Mademoiselle. By George Gibbs. 373 pages, 12 mo. Philadelphia: H. T. Coates & Co. Price $1.50.

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Five Years of My Life, 1894-1899. By Alfred Dreyfus. 310 pages, 12 mo. New York: McClure, Phillips & Co. Price $1.50.

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North Americans of Yesterday. By Frederick S. Dellenbaugh. 486 pages, crown 8 vo. New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons. Price $4.00 net.

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The Crime of Christendom, or The Eastern Question. By Daniel Seelye Gregory, D.D., L. L. D. 330 pages. 12 mo. New York: The Abbey Press' Price $1.50.

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In Oudemon; The Reminiscences of an Occasional Traveler. By Henry S. Drayton, M. D. 378 pages, 12 mo. New York: The Grafton Press. Price $1.50.

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Birth, A New Chance. By Columbus Bradford. 363 pages, 12 mo. Chicago: A. C. McClurg & Co. Price $1.50.

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The Young Men's Christian Association was not organized to teach a new theology, or to work in opposition to the church; it is a part of the church; working for and in the church.

Dr. Talmadge has well expressed it when he said: "The Young Men's Christian Association is a regiment of the church militant doing duty in the very front; in the thickest of the fight."

The question now arises in the minds of practical people in the church, "Why this organization?" "Why this great investment of capital and labor in behalf of young men as a class?" Dr. Lyman Beecher was once asked "What is the greatest work in the world?" He replied, "It is not science, it is not philosophy, it is not gold, it is not the things of men but it is saving men for God." Dr. Beecher probably used the word "men" in its broad sense to include male and female, but it is a truth needing emphasis today, that saving *men* (using the word in its generic sense)is the greatest and most important work of the church, if not the most important thing in the world. This is true not because the souls of men are of greater value in God's eyes than the souls of women, but because men are harder to reach with the gospel they constitute the irreligious element of society; they are tempted many times where a woman is tempted once, and consequently are in greater peril and greater need. If any one doubts this just let them study men, their habits, morals, temptations, take large companies of men of any grade anywhere, and listen to their language. How often profane, obscene, coarse and brutal. A good opportunity was afforded during the Spanish-American War when many of our young men were gathered together in great camps; young men representing every grade of character, education and profession. Some of the Christian workers who spent months in these camps of young men, the cream of the nation, will not soon forget the awful giving way to sin; the profanity, gambling, impurities; the breaking away from religious restraints, and lack of interest in religious gatherings, manifested by the great majority.

If any one doubts the irreligious character of young men they have but to study the statistics of religious bodies in this country and then compare them with the criminal statistics, which show that five-sixths of all our criminals are young men. Only one-third of our entire population is connected with religious organizations and this includes, Mormons, Jews, Roman Catholics, Unitarians, etc. In many states of the Union, and especially in New England, the religious population is over one-half Roman Catholic. A little reflection will convince any one that of our thirty million men a very, very small per cent. are connected with Protestant Evangelical churches.

These facts lead us to the conclusion that something more than the ordinary church methods are needed if we are to see our young men brought to Jesus Christ and into fellowship with His church. The Young Men's Christian Association was born to meet this great exigency in the crisis of the church's history.

Its marvellous progress and great work during its fifty years of existence in North America is the evidence of God's approval and favor. Its real usefulness has only just begun. Its organized efforts in behalf of boys and young men in our great cities, for sailors and soldiers, for students in colleges and universities, for the million of men in the employ of railroad corporations, for colored and Indian

young men, for foreign-speaking young men in this country, and for young men in non-Christian lands, presents the most interesting and thrilling phase of church work in the history of Christianity. More and more men and women of wealth are seeing in this organization an opportunity to make investments that will yield large and profitable returns.

The Hartford Young Men's Christian Association is equipped to do a large and important work. Its Educational Department is generously endowed, but endowments are much needed for the Boys' Department, Religious Department and Physical Department Its work is hampered by a debt of $24,000 on its beautiful building, one of the finest in the land. Hartford citizens will find here a splendid opening to do great good in thus aiding this valuable institution, whose life and work means much to the future of our fair city.

CHRISTIAN PATRIOTISM.

By Kate Lunden.

Love of one's country is inherent in every soul.

"The patriots boast, where'er we roam
His first, best country ever is at home."

No sky seems so blue as that which bent over our childhood's home. No grass seems so green as that which our childish feet pressed; no flowers are so fragrant as those we picked in childhood days, and where is there scenery so beautiful as that upon which our eyes rested when we looked out upon the world through the windows of the home where we spent our early years True it is indeed that "be it ever so humble there's no place like home," and no land like our native land.

Patriotism is the first of civic virtues. It is "the spirit that originating in love of country prompts to obedience to its laws, to the support and defence of its existence, rights and institutions and to the promotion of its welfare." The highest form of patriotism is that which takes into consideration the moral and spiritual welfare of a nation, not only its material growth or commercial advancement; a patriotism which seeks to remove the dangers which threaten a nation's existence, seeks to stay the forces which undermine its institutions and to defend its rights against every enemy which menaces its future. This patriotism we rightly name Christian patriotism.

What is the object of scientific temperance instruction? Its object is to prepare the coming citizens for their duties by teaching them the physical laws which govern their being, thus laying the foundation of patriotism and good citizenship. No man or woman is a true patriot who does not give the highest and best to their country, and that includes a body free from degrading habits, a mind pure and unclouded by destructive poisons, a spirit unchanged by any power which would bind it to the low and sordid. No person can ever perform the highest duties of citizenship who is a slave to his appetites and lower passions. The Scientific Temperance Instruction aims at the physical and moral independence of every child born and reared under the stars and stripes and it is indeed a happy coincident that the foremost champion of that instruction should have been born on Independence Day.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union stands for purity in personal life, purity in the home, purity in society, purity in government, for the highest type of manhood and womanhood. It stands for total abstinence from everything which degrades and injures, for the abolition of moral slavery, for obedience to righteous laws, for the support and defence of the nation's institutions and for the promotion of its welfare. It stands for right, for justice, for peace, for progress, for God, for home, for native land. And standing on these principles the white ribboners proudly and joyously fling their white banner to the breeze on the glorious Fourth as the emblem of Christian Patriotism.—Union Signal.

A CARAVAN OF CAMELS FROM ASIA.

IN THE CAUCASUS MOUNTAINS.

Through the Georgian Pass.

The Caucasus is a grand border-wall between Europe and Asia extending from the Black Sea to the Caspian. Valdikawkas, "Lord of the Caucasus," seated in the very heart of the region, is one terminus of the famous Georgian Pass over which the peoples of antiquity found their way into Europe at the time of the great migration of nations. Many were held captive in the numerous little valleys, shut in so completely by impassable mountain-walls that they lost all intercourse with the great world, and in a day's journey one sees all sorts of queer types, separated from each other, and having totally different tongues, customs, and modes of life.

The two most interesting and exciting days I ever experienced were those spent in going through the Georgian Pass. In Switzerland, I often talked of going over some of the famous passes but was always too timid to venture, but I would not have missed this trip for anything in the world—now that it is over. With a feeling of resignation to the inevitable, at six o'clock in the morning we found ourselves in a great old-fashioned courtyard, where several diligences were waiting for passengers, and we climbed into our seats in a huge old-time coach. We had the inside places in a nice little *coupe*. In front, high up under a large hood, sat three individuals—two men and a fat, busybody old lady, who at the first halting-place clambered down and asked a member of our party who we were and where we were going As he was not very communicative, the old lady cut our acquaintance as "a bad lot." Russian travelers, especially women, are very curious and extremely communicative. In front were a ragged driver, who was changed with the horses at every station, and a wonderful Cossack conductor and protector, looking for all the world like Bluebeard, bristling with knives. Such was our load, first, second, and third class; and with all the trunks, boxes, and bags, strapped on the top, one can imagine the picture of the post-wagon starting from Valdikawkas across the Georgian Pass to old battered Tiflis.

The diligence followed the Terek river—a gushing mountain stream—the great crags and peaks closing in until for a mile the walls rise several thousand feet, with only a streak of sky visible far above, and the Terek rushing madly below. It reminded us of the canon of the Rio Grande except

that the road is a fine driveway instead of a railway. The road as it now is was completed during the administration of Prince Woronzof. All along the wonderful highways we met caravans with goods from Persia and the Caspian ports, going up into Russia and thence to other European countries. In olden times the natives, not knowing the value of money, charged six shirts to carry a load across the mountains.

One can hear the Tartar-carts squeaking and creaking a mile off. They are made entirely of wood, and as a good Tartar believes that only a robber would wish his cart to move noiselessly, an honest man never greases his wheels. Whole families of wives and children were stored away in some carts, with beautiful rugs thrown over the tops and sides for shade and comfort. Water and wine in skins, dangled at the sides, and the train resembled a lot of georgeously decorated gypsy-wagons.

Suddenly the gorge opened and we were at the foot of grand old Kasbe, with its glistening sides and snow-crowned head, 15,500 feet high, against a deep blue sky. Here Prometheus was chained while the vulture ate out his liver every day. There are legends galore in which the rugged old peak plays a part. Far up the hillside there are caves in which some Christian hermits lived long ago. One brother was specially favored by God; a ray of sunlight rested on the mountain, and the good hermit was wont to place his Bible on it, and the sun's rays carried it for him wherever he went. The other brothers were conseqeuntly envious and planned his fall. One day a beautiful maiden came up from the valley and knocked at the hermit's cell. He would not listen at first, then she prayed and wept and begged shelter from the storm, so the old man opened the door and she went in. After a time the other brothers heard her go laughing down the mountain, and they were pleased that God's favorite had fallen. The sun's ray came no more to carry his book, and the old hermit wandered away in disgrace.

The huts of the Ossetes—the inhabitants of this side of the pass—are scarcely visible, so tight are they stuck to the gray mountain sides. They are built of stone, one above another, each having a flat roof where the people do all their work. The men are for the most part hunters, and more untamed-looking specimens I never saw. They hunt the ibex, a creature very difficult of chase, it being alleged that when it cannot escape otherwise it jumps over a precipice, striking on its horns, and then bounds away. Others possess flocks of sheep and herds of cattle, and from the heights may be seen, down by the river-bed, on bright spots of green, like beautiful emeralds in the bleak gray mountains, a lonely figure wrapped in a long black cape, watching his sheep, goats, or cows as they peacefully graze in the midst of the "dwellings of silence."

Up, up we went until the whole world seemed but a tiny speck below. Our way was led by eight thousand feet up the mountains, along a thread of a road winding back and forth. It made me sick to look down, but when I remembered that we had still to make the descent I summoned all my courage and tried to appreciate the wonderful engineering which spanned the mountain torrents with solid stone arches and built such fine long snow-sheds under the icy slides.

At the station of Kobi, we were ushered into a gorgeous dining-room and found a very good dinner. In this station there are sleeping accommodations for travellers—a rare luxury, for the post-stations generally boast of but two rooms, one for men and one for women, each with several lounges and a big table. If you happened to fall into a specially good sleep, the next arrivals are likely to arouse you with their call for a samovar, and the noise they make for hours, drinking tea and chatting. There is generally a quart can of water attached to the wall, with a diminutive spigot, at which you can "clean up" with a little ingenuity. The other toilet arrangements cannot be mentioned—they are Oriental in the extreme. At Kobi there are often delays of several days, owing to snow-slides on the Darial Pass. As we crept up the beautiful, steep, winding road, the snow was lying on all the peaks about us, but none on the pass.

From Gydaour, eight thousand feet, we dropped down three thousand feet. I say "dropped" advisedly, for they took off five horses, leaving but two to guide the ark, and with a flourish we left the lonely little station. The full moon came up, and we could see below us, like a tiny star twinkling in a black pit, the station of Milete, where we hoped to pass the night. It was a wild drive and like a grand dream in the mystical light of the moon. We had the luxury of a good bed-room with two iron cots and two fine Bokhara rugs, besides a washstand. We slept well and were up long before daylight had crept into the valley. It was very cold and cheerless as we went out into the raw mountain air and climbed into our diligence, when, lo! like a flash, the sunlight flooded the gorge. The white waters of the Argwa splashed and rippled in glee, and the great gold patches of grain on the mountain sides waved a welcome to the morning sun. The scenery was very beautiful and peaceful for a long way, and the vegetation seemed luxuriant.—Helen De Wollant in the Watchword.

OSSETE DWELLINGS IN THE CAUCASUS MOUNTAINS.

If, as a recent writer says, "a powerless Christian ought to be felt to be as great a misnomer as a forceless thunderbolt," what a resistless army ought the church, enrolled under the banner of the Lord of hosts, to be! Strong in faith, in purity, in prayer, in unity, in hope, in effort, in trial, in weakness, in wealth, in culture, in numbers, but strongest of all in God, why shall it not conquer the world for Christ?--Selected.

POETIC JUSTICE.

A Jerseyman who went out for a pleasure drive with his sweetheart, not long ago, received a needed though rather severe lesson on the necessity of being humane to animals in this day and generation. It was a very hot day, and when the drive was about half over the horse became balky. The driver thereupon lost his temper and gave the animal an unmerciful beating. Then the trouble began. A constable saw him and promptly arrested him for cruelty to animals. He was unable to pay the money, and his companion settled the business for him. Then she went home and wrote him a note, and this was what it said:

"When a man will so brutally beat a horse, and so easily lose his temper, a woman marrying him would take the chance of the same treatment."

And the rest of the note released him from the engagement.

Most people will be of the opinion that the young lady in question did exactly what was right, and that she was fortunate in discovering the disposition of her fiance before instead of after marriage. Insensibility to the pain of another is not a trait which is particularly desirable in either a husband or a wife. While, of course, it is not to be inferred that every man who will beat his horse will also beat his wife, cruelty to animals so vitiates the moral nature that those perceptions upon which a sense of justice depends are blunted. The intimacy of marriage is so close that happiness can only exist where there is mutual forbearances, together with a certain sensitiveness to the feelings of others. The man who does not possess this sensitiveness may not be actually cruel to either wife or children, so far as physical maltreatment is concerned, but he will say and do things which are quite as brutal as a blow with a whip would be. There are a dozen considerations which are likely to restrain him from wife-beating—the opinion of his neighbors, custom, fear that his wife may invoke the law, fear of retaliation by her relatives, or merely the fact that it is not usual for American husbands to express their sentiments in that way. But if his nature is essentially cruel he will find ways to torture those dependent upon him which are worse than physical pain. The true test of a man's character is not to be found in his actions when he is restrained by public sentiment or fear of consequences. He is his real self when he is free to act, to indulge meanness, or passion, or cruelty toward some creature which cannot retaliate and has no means of defense. The Jerseyman who is the unenviable hero of the incident above recorded was subjected to this test, and apparently he failed. He may have had an idea that by his lack of consideration for his horse he was showing a manly and stern strength of character which would impress the girl in the seat beside him. Some men have an idea that women rather admire those who are capable of cruelty. These men are trying to fit sixteenth century ideas into twentieth century civilization. It cannot be done. It is true that women admire a brave man, and often the man in question is a soldier, or a hunter, but there is a very fine distinction between the brave man and man who is ever ready to inflict pain. What the modern girl sees to admire in the soldier is not his willingness to shoot other men, but his readiness to be shot himself; not his murderous impulses, but his sacrifice of personal safety. The kind of woman who would like a man better after seeing him act cruelly toward a helpless animal is not fit for a civilized country.

OSSETES,

Natives of the Caucasus Mountains.

THE OPEN HEARTH.

The work at the Open Hearth is a never ceasing one and is continued through the summer as well as through the cold weather. There are always some wanderers who need its shelter, as well as many who have felt its good effects in their own lives, and that of near and dear friends who are always to be found at the meetings and who desire the advice and counsel of Supt. Miller in affairs both temporal and spiritual. The meetings while not so crowded as in the fall and winter are well attended and the attention shown gives evidence of the interest felt.

The Gospel Wagon continues its work every Sunday afternoon at Pope's Grove and the attendance is gratifying to those engaged in the work.

The Sand yard is filled with happy children who enjoy the amusements there provided and fully appreciate this play ground. The yard should be much larger to accommodate all who wish to use it, but at present it is found necessary to allow its use only to the children of the neighborhood who are given tickets.

The Fresh Air excursions have been much enjoyed and Supt. Miller has been able, with his assistants, to give the children and their mothers a pleasant outing and thus contribute to their health as well as pleasure.

All look forward to the fall and winter work with great expectations of the good to be done, and know that in their work they have the sympathy of our citizens.

TEMPERANCE NOTES.

The new bishop of London told a recent interviewer that his capacity for hard work without breaking down is due to two things—total abstinence and bicycling.

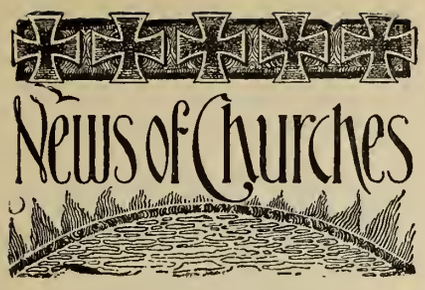
Professor Atwater wrote in 1888 (The Century Magazine): "Its action as food is so limited and so outbalanced by its effects upon the nerves and the brain, that, except in certain abnormal conditions of the body, the food value of alcohol is of scarcely enough consequence to be taken into the account."

The Raines law of New York state, during the four and a half years of its existence, has brought about a decrease of 6,307 in the places where liquor is sold, and a decrease in the number of arrests for drunkenness of from one in nine of the population to one in 12.

In Chicago, during the three weeks before the enforcement of the law requiring saloons to be closed at midnight, there were 18 deaths due to drunkenness, and for the three weeks after the enforcement of the law begun, there were only 31 deaths. During the first three weeks there were 22 suicides; during the second three weeks only 15.

Everyone knows what an inveterate smoker ex-President Kruger is, but it is not so well known that he has only once in his life tasted alcohol. It was champagne he drank, and he put down the glass with a face of disgust.

In Bukowina, a portion of Austria bordering on Russia, temperance societies have been founded recently in large numbers, and in many villages the following custom has sprung up: The peasants bury a small cask of brandy with a religious ceremony, and raise over it a mound having a cross on top with the inscription: "To remind us for all time that we have promised to drink no more brandy."



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN.

The Rev. Stanley Vincent Tyndal, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Springfield, Mass., preached for us Sunday, Aug. 11th. The church will be closed the last two Sundays of August, opening again the first Sunday of September, when there will be preaching by the Rev. Henry A. Davenport, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Bridgeport.

The Sunday-school has voted to hold no sessions on the last two Sundays of August, many of the teachers and scholars being away on their vacations.

On Sunday, August 4th, the mid-summer communion service was observed. Eleven members were received on profession of faith and two by letter.

GLENWOOD CONGREGATIONAL.

During the month of August our pastor and wife are spending their vacation at Twin Lakes camping. We trust they will have a very enjoyable time.

On July 29th the Ladies' Society gave a lawn festival at the church. The weather was such that out-of-doors was impossible. On account of the dampness it was decided to have another festival July 31st. This evening the weather was also damp, and it was necessary to resort to the church as before. Nevertheless all who attended had a pleasant time.

We are pleased to note the interest that some of our citizens are taking with reference to ball playing on some of our parks. We trust that the sentiment against them will be strong at this time that our "Church Federation" may take it up and use its influence to see that the Sabbath will not be desecrated in this manner.

During the absence of our pastor we will have the pleasure of listening to Mr. Berg of the Seminary.

We wish to repeat our invitation of a month ago. Our church will be open both morning and evening during the month of August, and we most cordially invite all those whose church will not be opened to come and worship with us. Our Sunday-school will also continue.

On August 18th we are to have the Rev Elliott F. Talmadge of the Center church preach to us in the morning. If any are desirous of communicating with the pastor they can obtain his address at the parsonage.

SOUTH CONGREGATIONAL, EAST HARTFORD.

Our pastor has returned from his two weeks vacation at Clinton Beach and reports a very enjoyable time. The meetings have been conducted by the Endeavor societies during his absence. Attendance has been small owing to the vacation season, but still hold all the old-time interest. We have many plans for work when all have returned from the shore and mountains.

FOURTH CONGREGATIONAL.

Our pastor is spending his vacation during the month of August at Georgeville, Province of Quebec. He reports an enjoyable time with cool weather. Mr. Handy severed his connection with the church July 31st, and is taking a short vacation at Dwights, Mass.

The principal regular services of the church are continued during the hot season. The evening service takes the form of a popular musical service. The intermediate and senior C. E. societies are meeting together Sunday evenings duing August. In the Sunday-school the experiment is being tried of conbining each department into a single class.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

There is a temporary lull in church news at present, as the Springfield camp-meeting has attracted a good part of our church people, and services here have been necessarily suspended.

We re-open Tuesday evening with the regular meeting of the Loyal Workers.

Monday evening, Aug. 5th, the local branch of the Christian Burden Bearers held their annual meeting for business. This is a Life Insurance Association of Christians of any denomination. The membership of the Hartford branch is about twenty-five.

WETHERSFIELD AVE. CONGREGATIONAL.

The members of our church have held several meetings to consider enlarging and repairing the church. Two committees have been appointed to solicit funds for this work. A building committee has been elected with power, and we expect that we shall soon have some of the much needed improvements.

Our pastor, Rev. D. D. Marsh, and family, are away on their vacation at Hampton Beach, N. H. Regular preaching services are discontinued through the month of August, the only services being Sunday-school, Christian Endeavor and Thursday evening prayer meeting.

Quite a number of our congregation are out of town enjoying rest and recreation, making the attendance at these meetings rather small.

WINDSOR CONGREGATIONAL.

Our pastor, Rev. Roscoe Nelson, is spending his vacation in Maine, part of the time at his old home in the town of Canaan. He will be away during the month of August.

Rev. Mr. Carey of Windsor preached the 4th and 11th.

Several of the Christian Endeavor prayer meetings during the summer have been held on the lawn in front of the church which is very pleasantly situated for the purpose.

SUFFELD STREET BAPTIST.

Quite a number of the teachers have been away during the past month. The school has been taught as a whole, by Deacon C. P. Gladding, Mr. W. D. Johnson, and Deacon Glazier, and the lessons have proved very interesting.

The banner for the highest percentage of attendance for the month of July goes to Mrs. Gardiner's class, 78.3 per cent.

A party of fourteen of our young people are planning to spend two weeks at Indian Neck, beginning Aug. 17th. We are sure they will find the outing full of pleasure and helpful rest.

We are pleased to learn that Miss Inez Smith, who has been teaching in Branford for several years, has secured a position in the Washington Street school, this city. Miss Smith is enabled thus to live at home and to be with us the year round.

On Friday evening, July 26th, we were glad to have with us Miss Grace D. Thayer, secretary of the Hartford Union, who told us in a very interesting and appreciative way of her delightful trip to Cincinnati and her return.

A large number of people from the Chapel gathered at the home of Mr. Marsh, on Clark street, Wednesday evening, July 24, to spend a social evening and meet Rev. R. B. Fisher, who some years ago was our pastor here. A pleasant time was enjoyed, and we were all glad to shake hands with Bro. Fisher, and to listen to him, as he told in a few affectionate words of his regard for Hartford people and recollections of his life among us. Mr. Fisher is pastor of the Baptist church at Holmdel, N. J.

BLOOMFIELD METHODIST.

July 22nd, Rev. Mr. Scarborough's Sunday-school class gave a lawn festival at the home of Mr. George Barnard. The spacious lawn was well lighted with Japanese lanterns and presented a very pretty appearance. There was a good number present and the waiters were kept busy the entire evening serving ice cream. The class realized nearly $15, which is certainly a good start towards the amount they wish to raise in order to make the primary Sunday-school room more attractive.

The Gleaners spent a very pleasant social afternoon with Miss Edna Bidwell, Aug. 2nd.

The Epworth League held their business meeting Monday evening, Aug. 5th, at the home of Mrs. L. W. Dean. The business was transacted quickly and was followed by one of the pleasantest social evenings spent in some time. The social commitee had many new games, which all entered into heartily and enthusiastically. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

The camp meeting committee was very successful in its undertaking to make the cottage at Plainville more attractive and homelike. The people responded willingly when the solicitors called to see them, and we are sure that those who availed themselves of the opportunity of attending Camp meeting were able to make themselves more comfortable than heretofore.

Rev. and Mrs. H. S. Scarborough are rejoicing over the advent of an 8-pound baby boy, born Aug. 5th.

ST. THOMAS CHURCH.

Mr. Warner continues to improve in health and has resumed his parish duties, at which his parishioners and friends are much gratified.

The Rev. Karl Reiland of Wethersfield, preached in exchange with the rector.

The many friends of Miss Edith Sherwood, whose severe illness was mentioned a few weeks ago, will be pleased to know that she is recovering from her illness and is now able to sit up.

The parish house has received a much needed coat of paint, also the outside woodwork of the church, and the yard back of the church has been much improved; a cinder driveway having been made so carriages at weddings and funerals can be driven around more conveniently. A new hot-air furnace is to be put in this summer, which, with the steam furnace already in, will make the church more comfortable next winter than it was last.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, WEST HARTFORD.

At the mid-week prayer meeting, July 25th, Miss Clara Mallory spoke upon "Some phases of the work of the American Missionary Association with the Negroes."

Our Sunday-school picnic was held at Laurel Park, Friday, July 26th. In spite of the unpleasant weather we had a most enjoyable time.

Rev. O. W. Means of Enfield preached Sunday morning, July 28th in exchange with our pastor.

On Sunday evening Aug. 4th, an open air service was held on the park. The meeting was arranged by the union committee of the churches and all of our resident ministers took part in the service.

Our C. E. society send flowers every week to the North street settlement.

SOUTH CONGREGATIONAL.

Mrs. August Ericson, a beloved and respected member of this church, passed away at her home on Cedar street, Saturday evening, Aug. 3rd. The funeral took place on Tuesday following. Rev. James W. Bradin, Rector of St. John's church, officiating.

Willie Carlson, for several years a member of the Sunday-school of this church, died Thursday, August 8th, aged fifteen years. He was a bright and lovable boy and endeared himself to all who knew him. For one so young he had a remarkably large number of friends and his influence for good had already been felt. While we deplore the loss of one who seemed likely to bear so worthy a part in the things of this life we also believe that he was one for whom "to die is gain."

Robert Parker and Samuel Dorman are attending the annual conference of Christian Workers at East Northfield, Mass.

Dr. and Mrs. Parker arrived in Hartford August 9th, after a nine weeks vacation spent abroad. All services at the church are suspended during August. The Sunday-school room is being refitted during the vacation of the school.

WINDSOR AVE. CONGREGATIONAL.

Rev. H. R. Peabodyand family are to spend their vacation at Twin Lakes.

Miss Ruth Palmer, our delegate at the Cincinnati convention, gave a very interesting report at the Y. P. S. C. E. meeting, August 5th. A large number were present.

Rev. Mr. Pratt of Cincinnati, occupied the pulpit last Sunday, Aug. 11th. Next Sunday morning, Aug. 18th, Dr Gregg, a former pastor of the church, will preach.

During the mouth of August no Sunday evening service is held.

The last missionary meeting of the C. E. Society was led by P. P. Bennett of the Farmington Ave. church. Mr. Bennett was one of the early workers in our Christian Endeavor society, being its first president. One of our July meetings was led by Miss Fisher of the North Methodist C. E. society.

FIRST BAPTIST.

During August, our choir being on its vacation, the singing is being led by Mrs. Charles Harrington of Essex. Mrs. W. S. Loveland of Bloomfield is presiding at the organ.

It is a pleasure to note that more of the young people of our church have been, or are going to Northfield this year than ever before. The work started by Mr. Moody goes on and part of the blessing comes down to us every year when our young people return renewed in spirit and filled with zeal for Christ's work.

The average attendance in our Sunday-school for the last month has been 174. The average collection has been $4.06.

Our special committee on the new Italian work, has sent out cards inviting to membership in the Union, all members of our church who have not already sent in their names, $3 for a woman and $4 for a man.

Those who will conduct divine worship during the pastor's holidays are as follows:—Sunday, Sept. 1, Rev. H. C. Mabie, D. D.; Sept. 8, Rev. H. M. Gallaher, D. D.; Sept. 15, Rev. H. M. Sanders, D. D.; Sept. 22, Rev. A. A. Shaw; Sept. 29, Rev. W. H. P. Faunce, D. D.; Oct. 6, Rev. F. L. Anderson. The pastor returns to occupy the pulpit Oct. 13.

Mr. Erwin K. Smith preached in our chapel on a recent Thursday evening and it is probable that the church will grant him a license to preach. Not many weeks ago another young man of our congregation preached before us in the same way.

SOUTH PARK METHODIST.

Our pastor, Rev E. S. Ferry, and his family are spending the month of August at Twin Lakes.

During the absence of the pastor the pulpit is being supplied by Rev. Magee Pratt.

Through August and September the Christian Endeavor society and the church unite in a twilight service at 6:30 o'clock.

The changing of our Christian Endeavor society to an Epworth League has been talked of for several months and the final action will be taken at the business meeting in September.

WETHERSFIELD METHODIST.

The Sunday-school held its annual picnic at Laurel Park, July 26th. About forty spent a very pleasant day.

Our pastor, Rev. Ralph W. Keeler, has been absent for two weeks. The pulpit was occupied on the morning of Aug. 4th, by the Rev. Mr. Roberts of Windsor and in the evening by a baud of young men from Parkville.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEP HERD.

The rector will be absent three Sundays in August on his vacation. Dr. Hart conducted the services Sunday, Aug. 11th. It is always pleasant and profitable to have him with us. Rev. Mr. Randall of Meriden will conduct the services for the last two Sundays in August.

Mr. Hollingshead the organist of the church who has recently met bereavement in the death of Mrs. Hollingshead, has the sympathy of the choir and church. He will not be with us again until sometime in September.

The quartet of the church will be absent during August, and the singing will be rendered by the chorus under the direction of Mrs. Kinney.

The grounds around the church parish house are looking their best at this time. The trees, lawns and ornamental bushes are very beautiful in their rich dress.

NEW BRITAIN AVE. MISSION.

The Sabbath-school is the only service held on Sunday dnring July and August.The attendance at the session has been good considering the fact that many are out of town.

The evening meeting will be resumed with the first Sunday in September.

The Ladies Aid Society picnicked at Goodwiu's Grove, Burnside, last month.

WETHERSFIELD BAPTIST.

Our pastor, Rev. Mr. Elsden, is taking a short vacation, and Rev. Mr. Wright supplied the pulpit these last two Sabbaths. Our Sabbath school has decided to go to Laurel Park on its excursion, Sept. 2nd, by special cars.

NEWINGTON CONGREGATIONAL.

The Sunday-school held its annual picnic at Lake Compounce, Aug. 8th. About 250 attended. Athletic sports were a new feature and added much to the day's outing.

Our church has lost one of its oldest and most faithful members, Mrs. John Seymour, being sixty-three years a member.

The Sunday-school has given its collections towards buying a missionary library for our own use.

Major Hilton of Hartford, addressed the meeting of the W. C. T. U., in the church.

The Christiau Endeavor society are to give a lawn festival and ice cream sale on the church lawn, Aug. 13th.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam'l Kellogg of Iowa are visiting with Mr. Henry Kellogg.

Mr. John Atwood of Illinois is in town.

SOUTH BAPTIST.

August is the month of vacations and our church is practically closed for the month, the only services held being those of the Christian Endeavor society and the Thursday evening prayer meeting. Both services are quite well attended and the meetings helpful.

The social committee of the C. E. society gave a very enjoyable lawn party on the evening of July 24th. Quite a number attended, a good many strangers being among the number. Cake and cream were served during the evening and a pleasant time enjoyed by all present.

Our pastor, Rev. Frank Dixon, and family are spending their vacation at Mr. Dixon's old home, Alderson, West Virginia. Mrs. Dixon is recovering from a short illness.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

Our rector, Rev. Jams W. Bradin, is spending his vacation at Fenwick.

Our Sunday-school picnic was held this year in the latter part of June at Laurel Park. There was a good attendance and an enjoyable time for all who went.

The Sunday-school is now closed, but will be reopened the second Sunday in September, when our other church activities are resumed.

FIRST METHODIST.

Dr. Blake preached Sunday, August 11th, for the first time since returniug from his vacation, which was spent at Hamilton, Massachusetts.

The regular routine of services in our church will commence the third Sunday in Sepember.

Recently our Sunday evening preaching service has been dropped, and a union service with the young people's society has been held at seven o'clock.

ASYLUM AVE. BAPTIST.

Through the month of August our church is holding no services whatever, as a large proportion of our members are out of town. Our church will reopen in September.

Dr. Stone is spending his vacation travelling in the monntains of Tennessee, and reports an enjoyable time and many interestiug experiences.

OneChristian man cannot be a foreigner to auy other Christian man.--Dr. C. E. Jefferson.

Education without religion is architecture without foundation and without roof.--President Barrows.

As silent as the cycles of the season move, and as resistlessly, the laws of cause and effect work out for every godless man and every godless land the fearful jndgmeut of divine retribution.--John E. Tuttle, D. D.

Your true-hearted, fine-grained man puts off his shoes at the door of a mosque as devoutly as any Moslem; he treads the aisles of a cathedral as softly as any Romanist; he despises no incense, he sneers at no idol. He may deny, but he will not jest.--T T. Munger.

A negro recently died at Atchison, Kan., and there was great curiosity to hear what the minister would say in his sermon, as the dead man had frequently been invited to join the church and refused.; The parson said: "Is this man lost? I don't now, but I do know that if he is lost I didn't lose him."--Atchison Globe.

(On denominational comity.)--We have a steel trust, an oil trnst, a sugar trust; is not the gospel strong, smooth, sweet enough for all believers to feel their common interest in its holy work? --Dr. Brown.

Nothing is easier than to criticise. A dog is not an astronomer because he can bark at the moon. An eagle may tear to pieces a robin, but an eagle is not therefore an anatomist; aud a cannibal may devour a missionary and yet not have very much of the missionary spirit.--Rev. A. Z. Conrad, D. D.

The following incident, regarding a child's personal work and its resnlts, is vouched for by an old Sunday school superintendent. He had asked his pupils to bring, each of them, a new scholar to Sunday-school. One went to his father and said, "Father, will you go to Sunday-school with me?" "I can't read, my son," replied the father. Our teacher will teach you," answered the boy. "Well, I'll go," said the father. He went, learned to read, sought and found the Saviour, and at length became a colporteur. Years passed on, and that man had established 400 Sunday-schools, iuto which 35,000 children were gathered.--The Christian Herald.

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SHALL THE SALOON FOLLOW THE FLAG?

Our beloved flag stands as the emblem of a great nation wherein all men are equal before the law, a nation essentially Christian. Always, to all men, we have intended for that flag to stand as an emblem of freedom and justice. It represents the highest civilization of the noblest age of mankind.

Of late it has been planted on new shores, and it is our intention to establish, wherever it waves, better social conditions, new opportunities, and to right the wrongs inflicted by tyrants for centuries.

Often before it, surely after it, we send our best men as missionaries teachers and governors, and as a nation, we wish our new wards nothing but good.

But there has followed the flag into Hawaii, Porto Rico, Cuba and the Philippines, the saloon, and its evil work is already sadly manifest. For neither pestilence, nor war, nor any other evil can accomplish the ruin of a race, especially of a half civilized tropical race, so surely as the saloon. There is no foe to intelligence, law and religion equal to it. It is the greatest producer of crime and poverty known.

Yet we, the sovereign people of a free state, have permitted this evil thing to follow our beloved flag. The one standing for sure demoralization, the other standing, we boast, for the best civilization of the age.

How long shall we come bearing a precious gift in one hand, and an evil thing in the other, and force both upon our new wards? Justified we may be in forcing our civilization and free institutions on an oppressed people, but neither God nor man can justify the saloon and its works.

At the recent Cincinnati C. E. Convention, Rev. J. P. Jones of India, said that for many centuries India was a sober nation till the coming of the Anglo-Saxon. If England should evacuate India to-day, he said, the greatest evidence of her occupancy would be the number of empty whiskey bottles.

PATRIOTIC ADVICE.

In a recent address to about five hundred children of the Educational Alliance classes of New York—the children all belonging to Jewish immigrant families—A. S Solomons, agent of the Baron De Hirsch fund, said: "I want you children to adapt yourselves to the conditions of American life and soon learn American customs. I want you especially to revere the American flag and always remember that it is the only flag but one under which the Jew can live and enjoy the same privileges as Christians. I want you to take home these flags which you now carry and hang them up in your bedrooms, where you can look upon them every morning when you arise, and always look upon the flag as the symbol of your protector." This is good advice for all the children of the United States. Love for the flag must be in every heart, and transmitted from generation to generation, to secure the prosperity and permanency of the Republic.

"My heart is fixed firm and stable in the belief that ultimately the sunshine and summer, the flowers and the azure sky, shall become, as it were, interwoven into man's existence. He shall take from all their beauty and enjoy their glory."—Richard Jeffries.

The long protracted negotiations at Pekin are nearly concluded and Pekin has been vacated by the allied forces. Count von Waldersee took his departure recently amid great military display. After all, is the trouble permanently settled? Robert Hart, Commissioner of Customs in China, who is thoroughly conversant with the Chinese character, and than whom no one is better acquainted with Chinese affairs, thinks we are no nearer a solution today than we were before the trouble. He considers some of the conditions futile and unnecessary, and regards with disfavor the proposed fortified legation quarter, it being in his judgment a mistake strategically, politically and socially, which position he sustains with strong and convincing argument. The solution of the Chinese problem will not be gained by the display of force, but by the cultivation of good will and the injection of the Gospel leaven.

At beautiful Winona Lake in Indiana there is to be held, from August 17th to August 27th, a most helpful Bible conference, under the direction of Dr. Chapman, who will be assisted by a remarkable list of speakers, including Dr. Purves, Rev. John McNeil of Scotland, Rev. Andrew Murray of South Africa, Dr. Buckley, Dr. Moorehead, Dr. Woelfkin, Dr. Munhall, Bishop Hott, and Superintendent Hadley. One of the features of the conference is a daily conference on young people's work, of which Secretary Baer will have charge. There is also to be a stirring missionary conference in charge of Mr. Fulton of China.

The trial of Robert S. Fosburg, charged with killing his sister, ended as everybody who followed the evidence supposed it would end, in the acquital of the defendant, and now that the trial is over and the people are expressing their views freely, the consensus of opinion is that an indictment ought never to have been found on such flimsy evidence against Mr. Fosburg. For a whole year this painfully tragic event and the unfortunate suspicion that Robert Fosburg was the murderer of his sister, which led to his indictment, entailed upon him and his family the most intense suffering. The Pittsfield chief-of-police, who attempted the role of Sherlock Holmes, occupies at present, and justly, an unenviable position before the public.

The national convention of the Catholic Temperance and Benevolent Association, held in this city this month, was a notable event and an honor to Hartford. The presence of Arch-

bishop Ireland lent additional dignity and importance to the event, and his words proved inspiring to all his hearers. It is hoped that the cause of temperance in Hartford may for a long time feel the stimulus of this convention.

Another movement which deserves to succeed is the effort to establish a parcels post. This business is successfully carried on by the post office departments of other governments, and would afford Americans not only a great convenience but also a relief from express company monopolies.

BUSINESS AND PLEASURE.

We call particular attention to the "Want ad." on page 16, as it affords a first class opportunity for young men of character and ability.

The combination of the New Method and the American Laundries was effected some time ago, and since that time the new concern has given thorough satisfaction both in regard to the quality of work turned out and the prompt deliveries. See their ad. on page 4.

Do not advertise and stop,
But advertise and stay,
For those who read your ad last week
Will look for it to-day.

It is impossible to overestimate, or, rather, to estimate, the power that lies latent in our churches. We talk of the power that was latent in steam—latent till Watt evoked its spirit from the waters, and set the giant to turn the iron arms of machinery; of the power that was latent in the skies, till science climbed their heights, and seizing the spirit of the thunder, chained it to our surface, abolishing distance, outstripping the wings of time, and flashing our thoughts across rolling seas to distant continents. Yet what are these to the moral power that lies asleep in the churches of our country and the Christian world?—Guthrie.

If you can wheel between the two lights coming towards you, they are two wheelmen; if you can't, and smash your head, break your lamp, and wreck your wheel, why it is an electric motor wagon, and you should have turned to your right.—Century Wheelman.

In time of trouble go not out of yourself to seek aid, for the whole benefit of trial consists in silence, patience, rest, and resignation. In this condition divine strength is found for the hard warfare, because God himself fights for the soul.—M. Molinos.

Miss Lacey: "I don't feel comfortable in this waist at all."

Miss Gracey: "Why not?"

Miss Lacey: "It makes me feel uncomfortable because it's too comfortable to be a good fit."—Philadelphia Press.

It's usually when a man speaks without thinking that he says what he thinks —Philadelphia Record.

"Say, Pa, what was the Appian Way?"

"Why, it was—er—just a way the Appians had, I suppose."—Chicago News.

"Those Chinese still insist on calling us foreign devils," said a European soldier.

"I'm sorry for that," answered the other. "I'm afraid we'll have to burn another town and destroy some more libraries before we get them to realize how civilized we are."—Washington Star.

MR. HUNTSINGER'S WONDERFUL SUCCESS.

The new school year at Huntsinger's Business College opens Monday, September 2d, with the assurance of the largest class in its history. One of the most salient points about its course in book-keeping is ACTUAL BUSINESS from the day the pupil enters until he graduates, by the system known as "Learning To Do By Doing." Mr. Huntsinger holds the exclusive right to use this system in this vicinity. The whole course at his school is planned upon the most approved methods in vogue in the best business offices, and his whole time and energy is devoted to school work, and no time is wasted anywhere.

That his graduates are thoroughly well prepared is most forcibly shown by the fact that Mr. Huntsinger has placed over eight hundred graduates in paying situations in less than fifty-seven months. This fact alone is sufficient recommendation for any school. The attendance of the day school for the busy season reaches the magnificent number of 250 pupils per day in the day session. There is a night school of a separate class of pupils numbering from 50 to 80. Mr. Huntsinger has seven assistants, and during the busy season of the year he hires additional teachers as needed.

When it is remembered that this school started with only three pupils in September, 1888, when it was established, and now has a yearly attendance of over 500 different pupils, the popularity and prosperity of the institution may be readily understood. Its appointments are equal to its superior course of training, and it is not out of place to state that one entire floor is filled with business men's desks for business pupils. It has a type-writing department consisting of twenty-eight first-class type-writing machines for pupils' use.

The reputation of the Huntsinger College through thirteen years of uninterrupted growth and prosperity is of the very highest among business men. Its teachers are of ripe experience and tested ability. Its graduates are sought by business men for responsible positions. Employers testify to this over their signatures. The school offers nothing of which it cannot give

Professor E. M. HUNTSINGER.

abundant proof, and the reputation of the college is not greater than its merits. The college must do excellent work and has a fine reputation or Mr. Huntsinger could not have placed 803 graduates in situations in the fifty-seven months ending August 16th. This school is deservedly one of the most popular schools of Hartford, speedily and surely winning public confidence from the start thirteen years ago.

Mr. Huntsinger has unusual fitness for his work by inherent qualities and by training. He is master in his profession, and can and has taught every subject successfully in both the business and shorthand departments of his college. This is an important item. The work of character building goes hand-in-hand with the everyday training of the head for business. Mr. Huntsinger is truly a leader—he cannot be anything else. It has been a busy time with Mr. Huntsinger for over three weeks enrolling pupils. A covenient elevator right at the door and running every day in the year, takes interested visitors to the bright offices at 30 Asylum Street, where there are three floors fully supplied with everything needed for the most effective work.

During the present year the W. C. T. U. will give especial attention to work in Oklahoma among the colored people in the South and among Scandinavian women in North Dakota.

An interesting note comes about the W. C. T. U. work among soldiers and sailors. It is under charge of Mrs. Ella M. Thacher of Florence, N. J., who has taken the pledge of more than 10,000 veterans. In many Forts and Homes she has organized Christian Temperance Unions. The work of Miss Orr has also been very important. She is the W. C. T. U. missionary at the port of New York, and last year she met 371,699 immigrants.—Woman's Tribune.

WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

The meetings of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union have been discontinued for the summer, and the first meeting in the fall is announced for the first Tuesday in September.

All present members are urged to secure at least one new member during the summer, and all Christian women interested in the cause of temperance are invited to join the Union.

MAJOR BELLE REYNOLDS.

The only woman who won the commission of major by reason of services rendered at the battle of Shiloh during the Civil War was Belle Reynolds. When the soldiers were sent to the Philippines during the Spanish-American War she enlisted in the Red Cross Service, and in her spare time undertook school-teaching. Major Reynolds has collected several dainty and beautiful pieces of Philippine Embroidery and Drawn Work, showing the extraordinary results secured by the Philippine women who have so much time to spare for their one accomplishment—Needlework. Illustrations of this Needlework appear in the August number of The Delineator. Those of our readers who are interested in unusually fine work should not fail to look at the specimens shown.

TEMPERANCE NOTES

The census of 1890 shows that in fifteen of our largest cities there were 465,514 arrests during the previous year, 339,737 of which were due to drink.

In prohibition Maine, where it is said prohibition is "no good," there were last year behind prison bars 841 persons, a total of thirteen for every 10,000 people; while in Massachusetts, the State having the best enforced license law, there were 7,451 prisoners, or thirty-three for every 10,000 of population.

Out of every hundred deaths from alcoholic excess in England and Wales, women constitute eight more than they did twenty years ago.

According to the census reports the United States spends in a year $1,000,000,000 for liquor, which is $85,000,000 more than we spend for meat, and $630,000,000 more than we spend for flour.

It is said that a German has discovered a process which removes the nicotine from tobacco, thus rendering its use harmless. A sarcastic writer suggests that such tobacco would be not only harmless, but charmless. Certain it is that an anti-nervous cigar put on the market a few years ago and advertised as free from nicotine, never had a large sale.

OBJECTIONS REMOVED.

Suitor. I have come to ask for your daughter's hand.

Father. Well, the fact is we are pretty crowded here as it is, and I—

Suitor. Oh, I intend to take her away from home if I marry her.

Father. Oh, well, in that case—but you did give me an awful start my boy.

"Chi-chi-children," began the timid young man, who had just been appointed a teacher in the Sunday-school, 'of course, you are all familiar with the story of the swallow that whaled Jonah—er--I mean the swale that wallowed Jonah--er--er that is, the whale that Jonahed--um--um--the Jollow, that wonahed the swale--I means--er--the jail that swallowed wonah--er--er--gug--gug--" (Chokes.)

"I presume, Brother Simms," said the superintendent, kindly, "you mean the Jonah that swallowed the- er--er--that is---"

"Ye-yes, sir," responded the timid young man "that is what I mean."--Tit-Bits.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

As plans progress for the programme of the coming winter's work the outlook brightens and the officers of the Association feel that the coming season is to be one of great activity. The plans for the boys' department embrace a very attractive programme for boys from 10 to 17 years of age. This programme will include privileges for their physical, mental, spiritual and social develoment along lines similar to those pursued for older men. The hours at the building are so arranged that boys will not be tempted to be away from home evenings or other hours when they ought to be with their parents. Special emphasis is to be laid on the efforts made to influence and help employed boys between the ages of 12 and 17. It is the purpose of the management to open the new rooms to boys about September 15th.

In the educational department Mr. George A. Gregg, new Educational Director, is fast getting hold of the lines of his work. Several new classes are being planned for and it is the hope of the Educational Committee to have a very large enrollment of students. The privileges will include many important branches of work, such as young men need who have been deprived of the advantages of higher education.

The Religious Work Committee are making extensive preparations for an active campaign this early fall and winter. Some very prominent workers in religious lines have been secured for various times. A series of mass meetings will be arranged for the Hartford Opera House Sunday afternoons beginning November 1st. The management confidently expects large enrollment of new members before January 1st.

Here in the prophetic dawn of a matchless century, whose vesper hymn may be the annunication anthem of the new heavens and the new earth, the matin prayer of Christ's church should be: "Here am I, O Lord, send me."--James J. Vance, D. D.

ADDITIONAL BOOK NOTICES.

The Lady of the Lily Feet. By Helen F. Clark. 125 pages, 12 mo. Philadelphia: American Baptist Publication Society. Price 50 cents.

This is a collection of dramatic little tales of life in the San Francisco Chinatown.; Evidently the author understands the people her stories are relative to, for they impart much curious and interesting information. The volume is a small one and is very well illustrated with half-tones of photographs.

A Handbook of Proverbs. 218 pages, 16 mo. New York: New Amsterdam Book Co. Price 75 cents.

The contents of this volume include proverbs, bon mots, verses, etc., from widely different sources. It is intended in presenting this volume to be of assistance to authors, speakers and readers. Such collections as this are fairly numerous, but are always useful. The grouping of subjects has been well done.

The Fourth Estate. By A. Palacio Valdes. 461 pages, 12 mo. New York: Brentano's. Price $1.50.

Valdes will be recalled as the author of "The Joy of Captain Ribot," praised highly and recommended in these columns some months ago. The author is Spanish. He writes in a crisp sparkling, healthful style. His characters are disinctive and real.

"The Fourth Estate" is the name by which the world of journalism and newspaper making is known, hence the title, for the story deals with that "Estate." Though a rather long story it will be found thoroughly readable and pleasing.

Atoms and Energies. By D. A. Murray, M. A. 150 pages, 12 mo. New York: A. S. Barnes & Co. Price $1.00.

A discussion based upon our present knowledge of the laws of energy. The author attempts to compute the effect of various energies on atoms singly and collectively. Some interesting facts in physics are brought out, and despite the apparent dryness of the subject, it is in fact made very readable and simple.

A Summer Hymnal. By John Trotwood Moore. 332 pages, 12 mo. Philadelphia: Henry T. Coates & Co. Price $1.25.

The many who have heard "Ole Mistis" recited or read will anticipate with eagerness the reading of this first book of the author. It is a romance of life in Tennessee. The author shows a strong love and appreciation of bird life and his feeling is contagious, especially as the beauty of the whole story is inspiring.

There is much shrewd philosophy' poetry and humor in the book and it deserves great success.

The Sunday Book. By Elizabeth Bainbridge Boies. 63 pages, 16 mo. Boston: The Pilgrim Press. Price 25 cents.

A neat little volume bound in decorated blue boards. It is designed to furnish Sunday occupations for young children, and while some of the occupations suggested seem trivial, yet there is little doubt but that a child will derive much genuine and profitable enjoyment from the book.

Montayne, or The Slavers of Old New York. By Wm. O. Stoddard. 360 pages, 12 mo. Philadelphia: Henry Altemus Co. Price $1.00.

A fascinating novel, full of adventure and action. The scene is laid in and about New York City in the close days of the War for Independence. While a historical novel, it is not of the hysterical kind. It is of a genuine historical value, and in spite of the fact it remains good fiction.

Pirates, privateers, slaves, and slave merchants, Indians, and British soldiers figure in the course of the story —the plot of which is a complicated one, but works out to everyone's satisfaction.

Mr. Stoddard never writes anything trivial and the characters he creates are always acquaintances profitable to make, from a literary standpoint.

What is the Matter with the Church? By Frederick Stanley Root. 188 pages, 12 mo. New York: The Abbey Press. Price $1.00.

Mr. Root is well-known locally as a former pastor of Park church. He is now general secretary of the American Social Science Association and editor of "Social Science Journal." His training and experience have particularly fitted him for a discussion of the subjects contained in the above volume, and his literary ability is manifest to any one who reads his writings.

The subjects discussed in the present volume are varied, though all within the scope of the title. That they will run counter to views to the contrary which are commonly held by others, is taken for granted, yet Mr. Root, though radical in his views, is not intemperate in their discussion. The very first chapter is one which has already encountered some interesting opposition. It is entitled "Wanted: A Society for the Decrease of the Ministry."

Babs the Impossible. By Sarah Grand. 462 pages, 12 mo. New York: Harper & Bros. Price $1.50.

A problem not previously considered in fiction probably underlies this book. It is that arising from the deserting of country towns by the men, thus leaving the gentler sex in a somewhat pathetic majority there. "Babs" lends so much life and jollity to the book that it reminds one of "The Heavenly Twins."

The story is more amusing than instructive but in the summer at least that fact will not be held against it.

A Cabinet Secret. By Guy Boothby. 329 pages, 12 mo. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott Co. Price $1.50.

The story of the kidnapping of the British Cabinet and Commander-in-chief of the British forces in South Africa. This is the extravagant idea Mr. Boothby works out, and despite the fact that he has seldom written a piece of real literature, he knows how to make extremely interesting reading matter. This book is exciting to a degree if not altogether convincing.

THE "SPOTTERS" ARRAIGNED.

Rochester, New York, has a well organized body of Christian men who are effectually fighting the saloon, just as Christian men everywhere might do if they would. Some time ago a meeting of the union was being held, attended by 2,000 men, when President Howard did not deliver the speech he intended to give. There was present a committee of "spotters" from a liquor dealers' association. The purpose of the association is to watch the business men who attend the prohibition meetings, and then boycott them.

The speaker called upon these men to come to the platform and occupy reserved seats, but they did not accept the invitation. Then he asked them to rise but no one arose. Continuing, he said:

"Why don't you rise? I'll tell you why! It is because you know that you stand branded before every civilized community as men without character, whose hands drip with human blood! That is why you are barred out from all decent society; that is why the Masonic fraternity have kicked you out; that is why the Odd Fellows have kicked you out; that is why the Catholic Benevolent societies have kicked you out; that is why the great insurance companies have kicked you out; that is why the railroads wont employ your patrons; that is why churches reject men from membership who rent you property; that is why the penitentiary, the poorhouse, and the potter's field are filled with your graduates! You dare not rise, because you know that of all men you are regarded as the scum of the earth, in this world, and face a fearful destiny in the world to come! God pity the shriveled soul of any man who could be intimidated by the presence of a committee of rumsellers!"

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The State Christian Endeavor Convention will be held in the First church, Danbury, October 25, 26 and 27.

HARTFORD UNION NOTES.

There is not much news to report this month regarding Union work as we do not find it advisable to hold Union meetings during the extreme warm weather, so many people being out of town. However, the societies comprising the Union are well attended at the Endeavor meetings, and good work is being done that will show at a later period.

We hope our Annual Meeting in October will be well attended and that each one will lend their aid to make it a success. We anticipate good speakers and interesting topics.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS.

(From the Presbyterian C. E. Manual)

Aug. 18.—God's Requirements. Deut. 10:12-14.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

Less than our best is not good enough for God.

The humble walk is required of all in the Heavenly way.

God asks much, but he gives more.

Christians should exhibit the heavenly life, even in their earthly lot.

Obedience is an obligation.

If God required less, he would not be God.

God asks activity of us, less for his sake than ours.

Saints should show sanctity.

Love to men is the law of God.

If we give God faithfulness he gives us fruitfulness.

Reverence is God's right.

We shou'd labor for men from loyalty to God.

God favors those who fear him.

It is God's right to rule.

Aug. 25.—Daily Prayer: "I will make it the rule of my life to pray every day. Ps. 34:1-22.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

Pray much, want little.

Desire directed Godward brings deliverance.

Every holy purpose is a heard prayer.

The lips pray in vain unless the heart says "Amen."

Test then trust.

Prayer that pleads promises prevails.

Posture is not prayer.

Rote prayers are not the route of blessings.

Instant in prayer, constant in power.

Not God's ears, but man's lips, are at fault when prayers are unanswered.

God's arm is as ready as his ear.

Prayers that praise, please.

God is near, so why should we fear.

The forgiving spirit finds.

Sept. 1.—Spiritual Acquaintance, or Knowing God. Job 22:21-23.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

God is most loved when best known.

Knowledge of God is power.

To know self, we need to know God.

Peace proceeds from acquaintanceship with God.

Faith is given revelations of God that are denied to learning.

We best understand our friends when we know them in Christ.

The eyes of the haughty are holden that they may not see God.

When we become friends of Christ we gain also the friendship of his other friends.

God's friendship purifies.

Before we can see Christ we must shun sin.

It is no loss to sacrifice all other friends for the sake of Jesus.

We must disown sin before God will own us.

Christ must be loved supremely before we can live serenely.

God's friends meet him in the prayer closet.

Communion quickens comprehension.

Sept. 8.—Heavenly Helpers. 2 Kings 6:15-17.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

God's servants cannot be outnumbered.

God's might is pledged to his own work.

Every servant of God is a colaborer with the host of heaven.

The Lord is captain of all his hosts, above and below.

Our hearts would be stouter if our vision were clearer.

God's celestial servants are none the less powerful because invisible.

When we work for Christ all heaven works with us.

God's helpers on earth are promoted to be helpers in heaven.

Gods work is all one work, in heaven and earth.

The kingdom has many servants, but only one King.

When we are neediest, heavenly helpers are nighest.

The host that helped Elisha is still in service.

Rev. Leonard P. Davidson, superintendent of the Christian Endeavor work in the Philippines, whose sudden death has been recently announced, succeeded by his indefatigable efforts in organizing two Endeavor societies, one, mostly of soldiers, numbering two hundred members. He had also a large correspondence list, including soldiers scattered all over the islands.

The wife of Capt. McCalla, of the United States steamship Newark, which stopped at Nagasaki on the return trip from China, was so pleased with the Christian Endeavor Seaman's Home at Nagasaki that Capt. McCalla has written of her intention of furnishing a room to be named the "Newark."

Liverpool, England, Endeavorers dressed dolls for mission schools in Palestine and Syria, and provided money to pay their passage, then had them stop off in London and give a four-cent doll exhibition to earn some money for the missions.

When little Ada, aged three, had been told the story of Lot's wife being turned into a pillar of salt, she asked her mother anxiously, "Is all salt made of ladies?"—Children's Sayings.

Johnny — "Tommy Smith's mother makes him go to Sunday school every Sunday."

"Johnny's Mamma—"Why do you say she makes him go?"

Johnny—" 'Cause he gocs."

The wicked, witty prodigal returned and in his old manner accosted his father—

"Well, gov'nor, I've come back. Are you going to kill the fatted calf?"

But the old gentleman was a match for him and said—

"No, my son, I think I'll let you live."

Tramp's advice to housekeeper—

"Please, mum, you'd better get rid of that dog, mum, an' get a nice quiet cat."

Sophy: "O, Maria, I'm so glad to meet you, I haven't seen you for ever so long. Where are you lodging?"

Maria (loftily): "I don't lodge. I am married and have taken a flat."

Sophy: "You don't say so? What's is his name?"

Conducted by Mr. George Whipple Steele

Questions on musical subjects of general interest will be answered in this department.

ITEMS.

Mrs. A.—The history of music by Burney was published in 1771. That by Hawkins in 1776, and in 1819 Busby published his history of music. These works are to be found in the library of the Hartford Theological Seminary, on Broad street.

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Our "City Fathers" seem to have a lively time concerning Sunday concerts. Some seem to fear God, some seem to fear men, while others seem to be posing for both God and men.

Gentlemen the fence you are on makes you restive. If you will cushion it with a little common sense you will be a little more comfortable. Your children are laughing at you.

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This is the season when the country parson finds time to preach in the city, and the city parson finds time to enlighten the country people, while the choirs wish for rest from their duties and the bands play.

It really seems as though Sunday was about to become popular.

ACQUAINTANCE WITH PAGANINI.

One of Ole Bull's father's assistants played the flute, and used to receive musical catalogues from Copenhagen. Ole devoured the names, and for the first time saw that of Paganini in connection with his famous twenty-four "Caprices." One evening his father brought home two Italians, the first Ole had ever seen. He was then fourteen years of age, and their talk was a revelation to him. They told him all they knew of Paganini, the very mention of whose name excited him. He afterwards related the story to a friend thus: "I went to my sympathizer and said, 'Dear grandmother, can't I have some of Paganini's music?' 'Don't tell any one,' said the dear old woman. 'but I will try to buy a piece of his for you if you are a good child;' and she did try, and I was wild when I at last had the Paganini music.; How difficult it was, but oh, how beautiful! The garden-house was more than ever my refuge, and perhaps the cats, who were my only listeners, were not so frightened at my attempts as at my earlier efforts to play Fiorillo's 'Studies,' when I really drove them from their food.

On a Tuesday quartet evening, a favorite concerto of Spohr's lay on the leader's stand, and while the company ere at supper I tried the score. Carried away with the music, I forgot myself, and was discovered by Lundholm on his return, and scolded for my presumption. 'What impudence! Perhaps you think you could play this at sight, boy!' 'Yes, I think I could.' And as I thought so, I don't know why I should have said so, do you? The rest of the company had now joined us, and insisted that I should try it. I played the allegro. All applauded save the leader, who looked angry. 'You think you can play anything, then?' he asked, and taking a caprice of Paganini's from the stand, he said: 'Try this.' Now it happened that this very caprice was my favorite, as the cats well knew. I could play it by heart, and I polished it off. When I had finished they all shouted, and, instead of raving, as I thought he would, Lundholm was more polite and kind than he had ever been before, and told me that with very diligent practice I might hope to equal himself some day." —Ole Bull, a Memoir.

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Prof. Koch, of Berlin, who discovered the bacilli of phthisis, stated at the Tuberculosis Congress at London, that he had demonstrated that meat and milk from tuberculosis-infected cattle may be consumed with absolute impunity. He has arrived at this conclusion after most practical tests. He believes that human and bovine tuberculosis are of a totally different species, and that phthisis is not hereditary. The discovery is of the utmost importance, especially as regards milk. His views are warmly combated by other medical men.

TO HAVE A SWEET BREATH.

Don't expect to have clean teeth or a sweet breath while there is a tinge of white on the tongue. It is an unmistakable evidence of indigestion. Drink sour lemonade, eat ripe fruit and green vegetables for purgatives; exercise freely; use plenty of water internally and externaly, and keep up the treatment until the mouth is clean healthy and red. Various things are suggested to counteract an unpleasant breath, resulting from a bad tooth, or garlic-scented dishes. Cinnamon, mint, creams, orris root, cloves, mastic-resin and spruce gum will disguise some odors. Ten drops of tincture of myrrh in a glass of water will sweeten and refresh the mouth; a teaspoonful of spirits of camphor or peppermint in the same gargle is among the best antiseptics, and a few drops of myrrh and camphor in the water are recommended in case of cold, troat trouble or any slight indisposition which may affect the breath.

BE GOOD TO YOURSELF.

Think deliberately of the house you live in—your body. Make up your mind firmly not to abuse it. Eat nothing that distorts or pains it. Do not overload it with victuals or drink or work. Give yourself regular and abundant sleep. Keep your body warmly clad. Do not take cold; guard yourself against it. If you feel the first symptoms, give yourself heroic treatment; get into a fine glow of heat by exercise. This is the only body you have in this world; study deeply and diligently the structure of it, the laws that govern it, the pains and penalty that will surely follow a violation of every law of life and health.

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The report of the commissioner of Internal Revenue shows that our army of liquor-dealers numbers 238,683, or nearly four times the number in the United States army under the new law.

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Temperance puts wood on the fire, meal in the barrel, flour in the tub, money in the purse, credit in the country, contentment in the house, clothes on the back, and vigor in the body.—Benjamin Franklin.

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An inveterate drunkard once asked a Quaker whether he knew of a method whereby he could cure his dominant vice. "Friend," answered the Quaker, "it is as easy as keeping the hand open." "How can that be?" asked the drunkard. "Every man can keep his hand open, but as to abstaining from liquor, that is quite a different thing." "I will tell thee, friend," said the Quaker; "when thou hast gotten a glass in thy hand, and before thou raiseth the tempting liquor to thy lips, open thy hand—and keep it open. Thou breakest the glass, but thou breakest not the law of sobriety."

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Development shows that such veins tend toward one main fissure a condition similar to that which occurred in the Vulture mine 90 miles east, which is also a free-milling ore, and which mine has paid over $16,000,000 in dividends. Free-milling ore consists of virgin gold imbedded in quartz. The gold is extracted by the mechanical process of crushing the quartz in stamp mills.

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The latest development not only corroborates this, but the richness of the ore, increasing with depth, bears testimony to the conditions apparent in all mines in this section of Arizona, viz.: that with depth the richest ore is found, where veins from the first are as well pronounced as in the Anti-Cleveland lode.

In addition to this, while the Company has abundance of water at the mill and near the mine, the mine itself is free from it, thus saving expense of pumping and pumping machinery.

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7. Deposit of 400,000 shares of full-paid stock, as guarantee of good faith and of sufficiency of funds to be held until two dividends have been paid to stockholders out of Net earnings.
8. Agreement that no salaries shall be paid to any person not actually employed by the Company in producing results, and that until a dividend out of Net earnings has been paid no salary to any one officer shall exceed $2,000 per annum.

(Signed) H. M. Andrews.

LITERARY DEPARTMENT

The story of two love failures are written out in the September number of the Delineator. They tell of Ruskin's loveless life and also of the cheerless home of Fitzgerald, the Persian scholar. These two loves that failed are sketched by Clara E. Laughlin.

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The August fiction number of the Woman's Home Companion is a true magazine of good things. The cover is a design from a painting by the German artist Koch.

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There are seven short stories in the Fiction number of Scribner's, by such authors as Richard Harding Davis, Quiller-Couch, "Zack," Octave Thanet, and illustrations by Christy, Clark Parrish, Shinn, Yohn, McCarter, and others.

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The August Century is a midsummer holiday number, profuse in illustrations, seasonable or general in character. Its opening pages picture the possibilities of New York as a summer resort. Mrs. Schuyler Van Rensselaer writes with downright affection of the city she was born in, and has made her home for the greater part of her life.

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Henry Van Dyke is never so happy as when depicting the rugged life of the wilds of Canada. He has chosen this picturesque background for a delightful new story, "A Year of Nobility," to appear in McClure's Magazine for August.

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When the Cosmopolitan, in its April number, published an essay, at once clever and philosophic, on "The Ideal Wife," a demand was created for a paper on "The Ideal Husband" by the same author—Lavinia Hart. The August Cosmopolitan contains an essay on this subject.

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Every reader of Ernest Seton Thompson's graphic animal stories retains a deep impression of the author's profound mastery of wood-lore. Some interesting information about how he lives in camp and works 'in the open" is given in an illustrated article, 'With Seton-Thompson in the Woods," which the Ladies' Home Journal will soon publish.

Parlous Times. By David Dwigh Wells. 439 pages, 12 mo. New York: J. F. Taylor & Co. Price $1.50.

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An interesting Irish girl of great beauty and charming unconventionality is the heroine. She intrigues with the political conspirators, and while one is not supposed to sympathize with the plotters, who hope to overturn a careful plan for a treaty between Great Britain and an American republic, one cannot but admire the girl.

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Trinity Bells. A Tale of Old New York. By Amelia E. Barr. 278 pages, 12 mo. New York: J. F. Taylor & Co. Price $1.50.

This novel has been called Mrs. Barr's best work. It is a book of many merits and much importance. It relates the story of the efforts of a young girl and her brother to ransom their father from the Tripolitan pirates. A charming love story comes into Catherine Van Clyffe's life. She makes a beautiful heroine. The music of the bells of Old Trinity Church pervades the book and blesses the love romance.

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"The good ship sped out to sea for the long voyage."

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The Trend of the Centuries. By Rev. Andrew W. Archibald. 419 pages 8 vo. Boston: The Pilgrim Press. Price $1.25.

The author believes, after years of study and observations of what he considers divine interference in the developments of affairs in all the great epochs of history, that nothing, however foreign it may appear, occurs without a purpose of Providence being interwoven with it.

He surveys historically the centuries which saw events from the downfall of Judah to the landing of the Pilgrims. The author's earnestness convinces one and makes his book a powerful plea for the recognition of God's control in human affairs.

The Christ Ideal. By Horatio W. Dresser. 150 pages, 32 mo. New York: G. P. Putnams' Sons. Price 75 cents.

A consideration of the Christ as an ideal. The author reverently but practically discusses the various features of Christ's life as portrayed in the Bible. What he says is well worthy consideration if for no other reason than that what he says, he says well.

Of Making One's Self Beautiful. By Wm. C. Gannett. 131 pages, 16 mo. New York: James Pott & Co. Price 75 cents.

Not merely physical beauty but a beauty of the soul, the heart, the character, brought out by a devotion to the principles of virtue, unselfishness, kindness, cheerfulness and the qualities that make humanity noble. This little book tells one how. It tells wherein a man must discipline himself and how he must face conditions and contingencies. The book is a valuable one and worthy a place in everyone's book shelf.

Manual of the Constitution of the United States. By Israel Ward Andrews, D. D., L. L. D. Revised by Homer Morris, L. L. B., of the Cincinnati Bar. 431 pages, 12 mo. New York: American Book Company. Price $1.00.

In its unrevised form this book has been for twenty-five years a leading work on the subject. It is now brought out, revised thoroughly, and up to date in all particulars. Such new subjects as "Our Island Possessions," "Interstate Commerce Commission," and "The Law Against Trusts," are added.

An index makes possible instant reference to any topic relating to the Constitution, while a complete text of that document and the Declaration of Independence is included.

Among the Pond People. By Clara D. Pierson. 210 pages, 12 mo. New York: E. P. Dutton & Co. Price $1.25.

This book is designed to interest young children in nature study, especially in the life of the inhabitants of ponds. All the more familiar "pond people" like the turtle, the frog, etc., are made the heroes and heroines of little child stories which will undoubtedly please children, and at the same time they are acquiring knowledge of a practical kind.

The book is well illustrated. Through the courtesy of the publishers we are enabled to reproduce herewith a characteristic illustration from the book.

The Monitor and the Navy Under Steam. By Lieutenant Frank M. Bennett, U. S Navy. 369 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Houghton, Mifflin & Co. Price $1.50.

A history of the origin, career, and influence of the United States ironclad steamer "Monitor." In tracing out this history the author impresses one with the magnitude of the changes in all branches of human industry, and particularly in naval methods that have been brought about by the steam engine during the nineteenth centur.

In telling the story of one vessel the author reviews the evolution of many —practically rehearsing the story of steam vessels from the first models to the latest and most modern ones. However, the central subject is handled with interesting detail. Many facts are brought out regarding the famous seafight between the Monitor and Merrimac which have not hitherto been widely known, and the book should become a valuable addition to history on that account, if on no other.

There are numerous illustrations and many reproductions of draughtsmen's plans that are of great interest.

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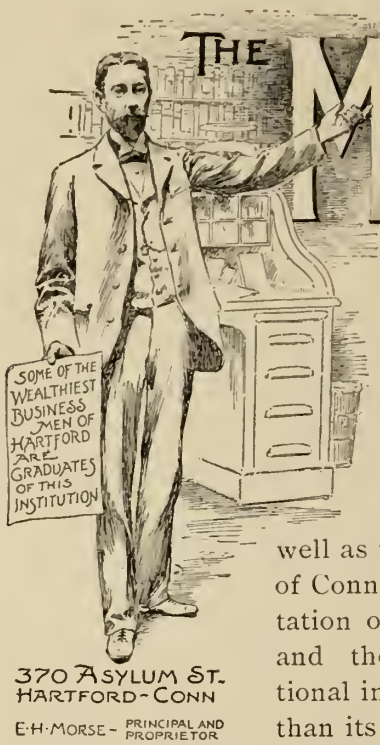

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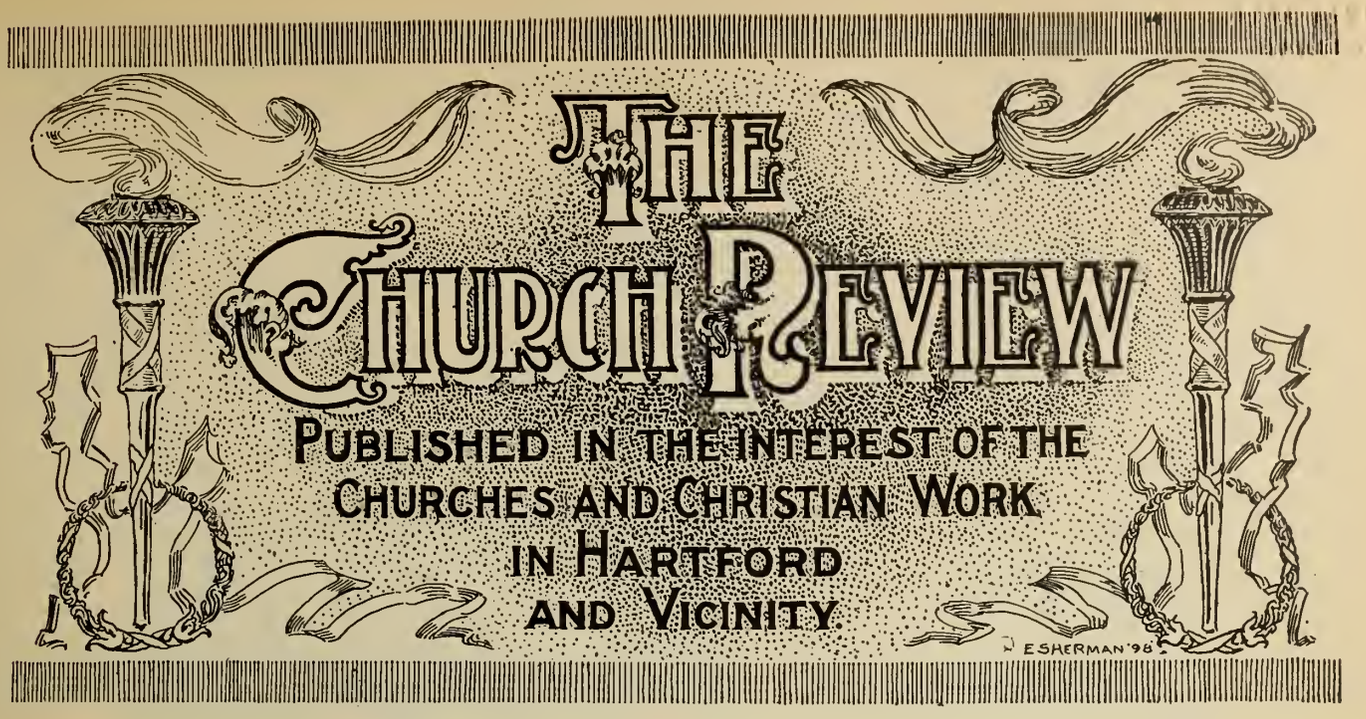

"THE LORD WANTS REAPERS."

O dwellers in the valley-land,
Who in deep twilight grope and cower
Till the slow mountain's dial-hand
Shorten to noon's triumphal hour,
While ye sit idle, do ye think
The Lord's great work sits idle too?
That light dare not o'erleap the brink
Of morn, because 'tis dark with you?

Though yet your valleys skulk in night,
In God's ripe fields the day is cried,
And reapers, with their sickles bright,
Troop singing, down the mountain side:
Come up, and feel what health there is
In the frank Dawn's delighted eyes,
As, bending with a pitying kiss,
The night-shed tears of Earth she dries!

The Lord wants reapers: O, mount up,
Before night comes and says, "Too late!"
Stay not for taking scrip or cup,
The Master hungers while ye wait;
'Tis from these heights alone your eyes
The advancing spears of day can see,
That o'er the eastern hill-tops rise,
To break your long captivity.

—James Russell Lowell.

THE CHRISTIAN DAY OF REST.

By Rev. E. deF. Miel.

Most men, I fancy, have opinions on this question, and endeavor with more or less constistency, to carry them out in the way they observe the Christian Day of Rest. They have thought the matter over, and arrived at certain conclusions with respect to the Lord's Day which seem to them sound and sensible. Having taken up their position, it is not very hard for them to discover a warrant for their favorite theory, even in the precepts of Him who taught with authority and not as the Scribes. It is easy, I say, so to interpret the Scriptures that they will yield support to notions popularly entertained on any debatable subject, however wide apart these notions may be both in principle and practice. Take to witness the beginnings of the civil war, when devout and earnest men, with equal sincerity, claimed scriptural authority for the institution of slavery as well as for its dissolution. Take to witness the extremes of Calvinism on the one hand and Universalism on the other, both of which systems look for substantial proof to the teachings of Holy Writ. One does not get at the truth of Revelation by approaching the Bible in the spirit of an advocate who has a case in hand which he desires to make good. It is only by laying aside prejudice and preconception and coming to the inspired word with a reverent and open mind that the true doctrine taught there is to be gained. If we can do that with respect to this momentous question—the Christian Day of Rest, I am confident we shall not fall into the confusion of thought which now obtains as to what purpose the day was designed to serve by Him who claimed to be Lord also of the Sabbath.

The view our Lord took of this day was not the common one at His time. On the contrary it was so uncommon as to be almost entirely new. The law of Moses had enjoined upon the people of Israel to set apart the seventh day of the week and keep it holy unto the Lord. Slow to see the blessedness of such a provision, they had come to regard its observance as a divine requirement, instituted without reference to their own needs or will or pleasure. God exacted this day of them and in case of its profanation would hold them to as strict account as He would for violating any other of His great commandments. With that peculiar zeal which belonged to the Jew, their leaders set about protecting this Holy Day from any possible trespass. They invented restrictions of the most minute order, to keep men from even an unconscious transgression of the divine ordinance. With scrupulous attention to details they prescribed what might be done and what must not be done. Even the trivial affairs of daily life did not escape their notice. There was no room left for personal choice or liberty of decision. It is not too much to say that the labors of the week were but a light load compared with the tedious burden of this ceremonial Sabbath. Worst of all, these legal strictures instead of enhancing the religious value of the day, robbed it eventually of spiritual significance. They interfered not a little with the exercise of charity and mercy and brought the soul nearer neither to God nor to man. At best, the day was a sorry season—a pitiable perversion of the Divine purpose in setting aside a specific time for rest and worship.

Now, what our Lord did on the Sabbath as well as what he had to say about it, could not fail to conflict with the prevailing notions of His time. On divers occasions He healed those who were brought to Him on this day, and confronted His critics with the words: "Is it lawful to do good or to do evil on the Sabbath day?" He was to be found in the society of those who needed Him, ready to avail Himself of any opportunity of doing them service. When His disciples were taken to task for

desecrating the Sabbath by picking ears of grain to appease their hunger, He justified their conduct by calling attention to a corresponding incident in David's life. Plainly, His ideas were not those of the strict religionists about Him. While maintaining His respect for the ancient law, and declaring positively that He came not to destroy the law but to complete it, He lifts the law to a higher level by His luminous interpretation: "The Sabbath was made for man and not man for the Sabbath." This, in a single sentence defines His position on the subject in a way that cannot be mistaken. The day was set apart for the benefit of man not less than for the glory of God, and the simple reason is because the benefit of man is the glory of God. In the largest sense, it was designed to be a day of blessing for God's creatures. This is the day which the Lord hath made, we will rejoice and be glad in it—such was to be its motive and spirit.

Up to this point most men are agreed. The line of cleavage begins when we attempt to say what are and what are not legitimate pursuits for the Lord's Day; so that the purpose of the day may be realized not merely for the individual, but for the community at large as well. At this moment, for example, some are disposed to employ the day as an opportunity for physical recreation and social pastime. Is this use legitimate; is it consistent with our Christian obligations? It is legitimate, I reply, if it ministers to the higher needs of men and I include among these needs a sound mind and vigorous body. It is not legitimate, on the other hand, if it makes against the development of the best Christian manhood. A course which may appear legitimate for me as an individual may not be expedient for the community at large. If all men were to follow my example, the results might be far from salutory. What may seem innocent recreation from a personal point of view, may easily become a menace to the peace and good order of the community when carried out on a large scale.

People do not as a rule make nice distinctions, especially in the matter of athletic sports. A game is a game to them, whether you use a driver, or a baseball bat, or a football, or a tennis racquet, or any other implement—it is one and the same as far as they are concerned. The element of skill, and the excitement of competitin enters in and furnishes the interest. If one form of amusement is allowable on the Lord's Day why not another? This may not be good logic, but is the way the popular mind reasons. If polite society, so called, is represented on the links (happily not in our own city) why not those of other tastes at the race course, and others at the baseball park, and others still at the Coliseum witnessing a sparring contest, and still others at the Velodrome and the vaudeville. Our democratic society does not like to think that the well-to-do have the advantage of them in this respect, and can see no moral distinction between the ancient game of Scotland and the national game of their own land. They are ready to take their cue from those who set the fashions, only they want to select their own favorite amusement. If diversions of this kind are in order, they say, let us make a clean sweep of it and have our fun in our own way.

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Suppose we did leave it entirely to the individual to decide how the day shall be spent. I fancy we should see some unwelcome changes taking place—unwelcome even to those who are anxious for this "free and open Sunday" as they call it. For one thing we should see certain avaricious folk opening their stores and shops that day. And presently the laws of competition would force others to do the same; and trade would start up all along the line and the machinery of manufactory and commerce would be set moving. And men would be found at their desks and counters and benches, instead of in church, or in the parks with their families or in the restful seclusion of their own homes. The law as it stands provides that these things shall cease and it does so because is is necessary for the well being of society that they should cease. It is bound to protect society even from itself, if need be and to secure a day of rest for the worker against every encroachment upon his time and labor. In this particular, the state is not religious but economical. It has no desire to run the risk of filling its hospitals, and insane asylums, and prisons, by opening the door to a week of seven working days.

The American Sunday has played such a part in our national development, that it would be hard to find any institution more worthy of the respect and support of the people of this land. It has possessed a character of its own; it has been a church-day, a home day—a day for a man to enjoy his family, and give himself to his wife and children. A certain domestic sweetness and simplicity surrounds it—the soft influences of affection and innocent enjoyment pervade it. Out of the glare and bustle of the busy week the bread-

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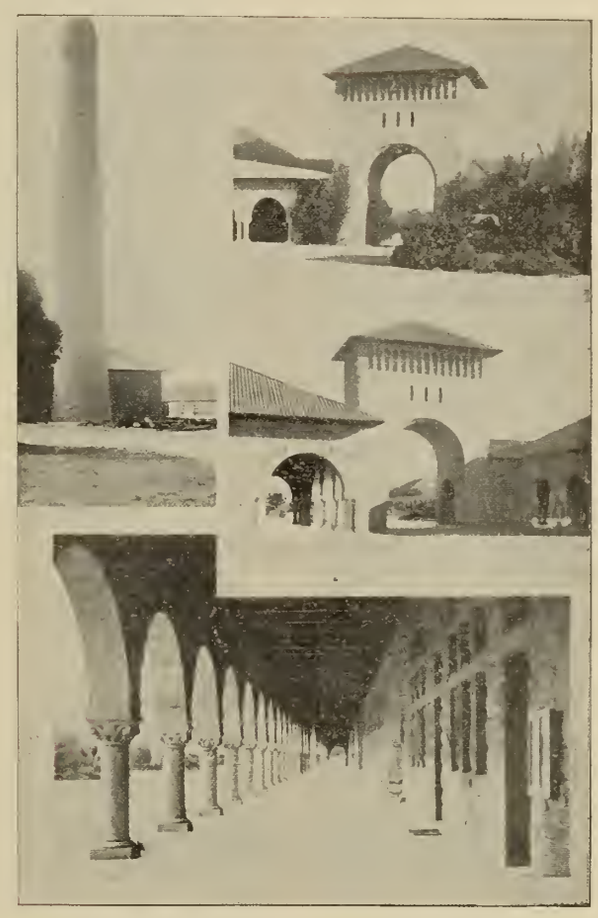
In 1884 Mr. and Mrs. Stanford, whose son and only child had recently died, decided to found an educational institution, which should be known as the Leland Stanford Junior University. The corner-stone was laid May 14, 1887, and the University was opened for students October 1, 1891, the inner quadrangle being then completed with the exception of the church.

This quadrangle is made up of twelve one-story buildings and a memorial church, connected by an open arcade and facing a central paved court which is five hundred and forty-six feet wide. The buildings are of buff sandstone, with red tile roofs and the general effect is that of the old Spanish missions of California.

In a more fortunate situation this quadrangle would present a beautiful appearance; but placed as it is on very low land, with no trees as yet about it, and in a region where the ground is usually burned brown and bare from early summer until the rains come in November or December, it not infrequently happens that visitors as they first see the buildings from a distance suppose themselves to be approaching the sheds or stables of the stock farm.

Probably when the outer quadrangle, composed of two-story buildings, is completed, the greater height will give a better effect from a distance. The church, which completes the inner quadrangle, was not commenced until 1899, and will be ready for use during the present year.

The front of the outer quadrangle when completed, will be composed of the memorial arch and three buildings on either side. These buildings will also be connected by an open arcade, eight hundred and ninety-four feet in length. The arch and two buildings on either side have been erected; the library and the assembly hall are on the east, and the two buildings occupied by the departments of physiology, zoology, botany, and geology are on the west. These buildings are of sandstone, with tile roofs, and the effect is similar to that of the inner quadrangle, except for the increased height. The memorial arch is one hundred feet high, and ninety feet in width. South of the quadrangles are the power houses, shops, foundry, post-office, book-store, and other buildings. East and west are the dormitories for men and women, bearing the Spanish names for two of the species of oak found in this region, Encina and Roble. Not far from the dormitories are the Gymnasia, and the museum is a quarter of a mile away, near the arboretum.



VIEWS AT LELAND STANFORD UNIVERSITY.

In addition to the Palo Alto estate, the Vina estate of fifty-nine thousand acres in Tehoma County, the Gridley estate of twenty-two thousand acres in Butte County, a number of smaller tracts of land, and the Stanford resi-

dence in San Francisco belong to the University. Much of this land is said to be nnproductive. The greater part of the endowment is in interest-bearing securities, in which form Mrs. Stanford made her recent large gifts. The Vina eatate is considered quite valuable, as here is the great vineyard of three thousand five hnndred acres which has made "Senator Stanford's Vina brandy" famous far and wide. It certainly is to be regretted that a portion of the revenues of the University are obtained from such a source.

It would, perhaps, be difficult to characterize exactly the religious sentiment of the institution. During a recent year, only seven of the faculty were in the habit of attending the churches of Palo Alto; but these were earnest, Christian men, and their influence was exceedingly good. Services were then held in the University chapel every Sunday morning, and a larger number of the facnlty attended there, the speaker being sometimes a member of the faculty and sometimes a minister or lecturer from San Francisco or elsewhere. Unitarianism may perhaps be said to prevail; many of the faculty and students profess no religions belief whatever. One freqnently hears the Bible spoken of as a collection of myths, beautiful and interesting, perhaps, but of no value.

During the year referred to, daily chapel services were held, attendance being voluntary; the number present seldom exceeded thirty-five.

The charter of the University provided originally for a board of twenty-four trustees, chosen for life. In 1897, this was so amended that no vacancies are to be filled until the number has been reduced to fifteen, and snbseqnent appointments are to be for tne years only. It is also provided that while the founders live they shall exercise the powers and perform the dnties of the trustees, so the entire management has been vested in Mrs. Stanford since the death of her husband. The faculty now nnmbers about one hundred, with from thirty to forty assistants, Dr. David Starr Jordon having been president from the beginning.

Dnring the year 1899 and 1900, the total number of students registered was 1331.—Winifred Johnson in The Watchword.

PUBLIC PRAYERS AT SOUTH CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH FOR PRESIDENT McKINLEY

On Sunday, Sept. 8th, prayers were offered in all the local churches for President McKinley's recovery, and on the following Monday, at 5 p. m., in response to Dr. Parker's call, a large and thoroughly representative body of Hartford's citizens met at the South Church for a service of public prayer for the wounded President. Dr. Parker

opened the meeting, saying that in the present infliction it was our President and we ourselves are stricken with him in his peril. The word of the Lord exhorts us to "supplications, prayers, intercessions and giving of thanks for all men, for kings and all in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty." The people were not assembled to consider the theory or the philosophy of prayer but in some way, by the faith we have in onr heavenly Father, we are, by a common impulse, ineradicable in the spirit of humanity, led to cast our burden npon the Lord, to go to Him with the earnest desires of our heart believing that the fervent prayers of the righteous will avail.

Dr. Parker then called upon Rev. Rockwell Harmon Potter, pastor of the Center Church, to offer the opening prayer. Mr. Potter's petition was for mercy upon all prayers that are being offered through the breadth of the land. He besought the divine favor upon the prayers of the people of this city that the deepest thoughts of their hearts might be opened and that there might be an uplifting of each heart in silence that its desires might be granted.

The congregation, led by the organ and quartet of the chirch, sung "How sweet to be allowed to pray," and Rev. H. H. Kelsey, pastor of the Fourth Church, read selections from the Scripture from Matthew, vi: 7; the Gospel of St. John, xv.; Romans, xiii. and from 1 Timothy, ii.

Rev. Dr. George M. Stone, pastor of the Asylnm Avenne Baptist Church, offered prayer, beseeching the uplifting of the hearts of the people as in common accord, from sea to sea, they asked that the pnrpose of the assassin's hand be defeated; that the President might be blessed and preserved, that his rest for the night might be refreshing and that unfavorable symptoms might be kept from him. He prayed for special blessings upon the physicians who so gently and skillfully were careing for the President, and for a blessing upon the sweet and loving companion whose heart is pierced with sorrow. He gave united thanks for the nation and prayed that its people might not be discouraged by dangerons elements within it.

Colonel Jacob L. Greene was called upon by Dr. Parker and in his remarks said:—

"We may well thank God that in those great stresses which touch the deepest laid chords of human sympathy and thrill them into unison, we forget all names bnt his of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named and come instinctively together to lay the bnrden of our common pain and to nrge our common plea before him to whose fatherly care we are children without difference.

"We come to supplicate God's mercy upon him our chief citizen and magistrate, who lies sore stricken at the borders of the impenetrable shadow, that it may not yet whelm him from onr

BIRDS-EYE VIEW OF LAKEVILLE, CONN.

sight, his many and great labors to our eyes yet unfinished, his career half run, a sacrifice to liberty profaned; to supplicate the pitifulness of that mercy for her, his tender ministries to whom have made the whole world see how beautiful a thing is a true, manly, unselfish, self-forgetting, pure man, faithfully cherishing the frail life that leans on his strength; and, moreover, to supplicate that mercy upon ourselves, that by this bitter bread, sown in hate, grown in license in the name of our liberties and under the shielding of our laws and now pressed to our shrinking lips, we may learn and not hereafter put aside the awful lessons of our free citizenship; that we may duly realize that this murderous deed is fruit of that harvest unto which the wheat and the tares of the enemy have grown together in our field; that if we be God's true freemen, we may not in the presence of any villainy wring impotent hands and mock him with mere wailing, nor wait for others to do our duty; that to be but one in a multitude excuses no man; that if in this free land our chief officers are but our elected servants and we are thereby indeed our own rulers, then it is our high duty to help them in their duty, to be ourselves of a sober mind, carefully considerate of the public weal, patiently loyal to those who bear great burdens for us ready to believe the good intent, slow to think evil, using only that well considered, suggestive, dignified criticism which may help the thought without hurting the self-respect of him who receives it, avoiding that petulant, supercilious, sneering, insinuating criticism which makes the most conscientious men indifferent to a public opinion which so expresses itself; to be prudent in speech, lest we poison the whole atmosphere of life. And may we in the waiting hours of this crisis review our case, pledge a better loyalty to God and to country, and thoroughly determine that neither the republic nor the nations of the earth through her, shall receive further harm from the enemies of liberty under law.'

The congregation then sung "Blest be the tie that binds," and Rev. Ernest DeF. Miel offered the closing prayer in which he asked for the blessing of heaven upon the President, that he might be preserved, that he might have patience and fortitude and in good time be restored to health.

The services closed with the singing of the hymn, "God bless our native land," and the benediction by Rev. W. DeLoss Love, pastor of the Farmington Avenue Church.

There were present at the meeting many of the well known clergymen of the city, representing various denominations. Mayor Harbison was also present.

SUFFELD STREET BAPTIST.

During July and August the school was taught as one class, the work being very much enjoyed, but September 1st, it was again arranged in classes. We hope for an increased attendance now the vacation season is over. Most of the teachers have returned.

The attendance at C. E. meetings has been good all through the warm weather.

Clyde R. Smith left Wednesday, August 28th, for Northfield, Mass., where he will attend the Mt. Hermon school this winter.

Superintendent W. O. Buckley, Jr., and Assistant-Supt. L. A. Wiley and their families have both enjoyed a short vacation the past month.

The Happy Rest Club, a party of young people representing the chapel, largely, spent a very enjoyable two weeks' outing at Indian Neck the last of August.

The new officers for the C. E. society have been elected, and it is hoped that we may do some good work this winter.

GLENWOOD CONGREGATIONAL.

Our pastor returned from his vacaton the last of August much improved in health. He had a very pleasant time.

On September 4th, at 4 p .m., a very pretty wedding was solemnized when Mr. R. Eugene Sage and Miss Mary Perwo were united in marriage by the pastor. The church was handsomely decorated with goldenrod by Mrs. Robinson. Mrs. George H. Wilder played the wedding march from "Lohengrin." Mr. Wilder acted as usher.

In the evening of September 4th an informal reception was tendered the pastor. A goodly number attended. During the evening vocal and instrumental selections were rendered, also phonograph selections.

Mrs. Robinson is spending her vacation at her old home in Blandford, Mass.

It is with pleasure we announce that Mrs. Williamson is getting along nicely since her accident.

On Sunday evening, September 8th, the C. E. society had the pleasure of listening to a report of the Christian Endeavor Convention held at Cincinnati last July. This report was given by Miss Thayer, secretary of the Hartford union.

Now that the fall season has ended we urge all to send their children to Sunday-school. The smartest children in day-school are the ones that attend Sunday-school. Let us see to it that our children are educated in God's word as well as in carnal studies. We are in hopes of having many pleasing features during the coming year and invite all who feel so inclined to attend our services and enjoy them with us.

Mrs H. E. Williams has returned from her vacation.

WARBURTON CHAPEL.

Vacations have been enjoyed by teachers and scholars coming and going, but the Sunday-school session has not been interrupted, and the attendance during the summer months has been larger than last year.

During the absence of the superintendent, Rev E. F. Talmadge and M. Solon P. Davis had charge of the school.

The choir which was organized especially for the summer has been an attractive feature, and very helpful in the general exercises of the intermediate department.

Flowers have been brought each Sunday to decorate the desk and brighten our rooms.

After the service the flowers have been distributed among the scholars or sent to some sick ones.

The Kindergarten opened for the fall term Monday, Sept. 9th. Miss Mertie Calhoun continues as teacher. The sewing school will meet their teacher, Miss Lizzie J. Holcomb, Saturday, Sept. 14th, and at that time the classes will be arranged for the coming season.

The library has been freely used during the vacation time and twelve new books have been added.

BLOOMFIELD CONGREGATIONAL

The various committees have been appointed and are making the necessary arrangements for the church fair which is to be held in October. An interesting musical program will be rendered on one of the evenings.

Rev. O. H. Bronson of Simsbury, occupied the pulpit Sunday, Sept. 8th and gave a most helpful and encouraging discourse from the text, "Where art thou?"

The new president of the C. E. Society is Miss Cornelia D. Griswold. The policy of getting the direction of the society into the hands of the younger members is being tried and good results are hoped for. The Consecration meeting, Aug. 25th, was the best attended and most interesting Endeavor service we have had in months.

The Sunday-school went to Highland Lake for its annual picnic, Wednesday, Aug. 28th. It was a beautiful day and all who went enjoyed it. It was the intention to have the Methodist and Baptist schools join with the Congregationalists, but they must have made other plans for they did not attend.

The superintendent of the Sunday-school is finding it difficult to secure regular and competent teachers. There are apparently enough in the church to fill all the positions, but they do not seem to feel any responsibility in the matter.

Mrs. E. Penrose, a former resident of Bloomfield, and now a teacher in the Cuban mission on Quincy St., Brooklyn, spent part of her vacation in town and spoke one Sunday to the Sunday-school about the work carried on in Brooklyn and in Saybrook where there is a home school for Cuban boys.

Mr. S. J. Woodford, a member of the church and Endeavor society, will be married Sept. 18th to Miss Annie Morton at Belleville, Canada.

The Ladies Benevolent Society has just packed a barrel of bed clothing and wearing apparel for a missionary in Courtland, Ala.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEP HERD.

The rector and family have returned from their vacation refreshed and strengthened by their outing.

Sunday morning, Sept. 8th, the Rev. Karl Rieland of Wethersfield exchanged with the rector. He preached a strong sermon, taking for his subject "Christ is Life." Prayers were said for the recovery of the President, Wm. McKinley.

The Sunday-school will resume its sessions Sunday, Sept. 15th.

The rector will conduct the services for the first time since his vacation, Sunday, Sep. 15tth.

Plans are being laid in all the societies of the church for the coming season of 1901-1902. It is hoped that all who can will take a personal interest and encourage others in the parish to work and help in the different lines.

WETHERSFIELD BAPTIST.

Our Sabbath-school picnic at Laurel Park was much enoyed by all who went.

Rev. Mr. Elsdon is back from his vacation, preaching morning and evening. The church parsonage has had some much needed repairs, and paint outside and in with pretty paper, makes a great imrovement. The attendance at church, now that people have returned from outings, will be larger.

ST. PAUL'S METHODIST EPISCOPAL.

Marion Pulver, James Adair, George Adair and George Nettleton were elected trustees for three years, September 2nd.

More of our people have been absent for a vacation than ever before at mountain and shore and at former homes in New England, Canada, and the far west, but the opening of the Sunday-school year finds them nearly all with us again much benefitted by the change and respite from care and ready with renewed energy for their activities in business, home and church life.

The Junior league, with Mrs. R. E. Merrill as superintendent, opened again September 1st.

The Children's Class with Mrs. Mary Pulver as leader, began on Tuesday evening, Sept· 10th.

James Adair's and the pastor's Tuesday evening classes, the prayer meeting and James Mayo's Sunday morning class, with the regular preaching services, were continued as usual during the summer with the exception of a union Sunday evening service with the Epworth League.

Special evangelistic services will begin in St. Paul's church the middle of October.

NORTH METHODIST.

The vacation season being over the schools and churches have begun to fill up. The Sunday-school and the young people's meeting were loyally attended last Sunday, and the church services also. Rev. Mr. Howell, the pastor, returned last Sunday and was greeted with a large audience. Mrs. Howell, who is still at the shore, will be home this month.

Howard A. Camp, superintendent of Sunday-school, who has been to Jamestown, N. Y. and Buffalo, has returned.

Miss E. J. Cairns and Miss Annie M. Cairns have returned from Maine, where they spent three weeks.

Burton Camp has accepted a position in a college in Maine as teacher of Mathematics.

Louis Scranton and family have returned from Crescent Beach, where they have been since the first of June.

Mr. Wm. H. Watrous and wife are home from Westbrook.

Rev. Joseph Irons, former pastor of the church, has been spending a few days in the city visiting friends.

The annual election of officers for the ensuing year of the Endeavor society, occured Friday evening. The society is doing good work.

Frank H. Waterhouse and Mr. Wayland are on their vacations, the former at Buffalo and the latter at Newfoundland.

TRINITY CHURCH.

Sunday-school sessions will begin for the fall and winter work Sunday, Sept. 15th, before which time notices will have been mailed to each scholar, with a blank to be filled out for themselves, and an additional card to fill out for the new scholars which are looked for to be brought in and entered on the records the firts session. The records for the ensuing year are to be kept in practically the same manner as last year, following a card system in nearly every detail.

In addition to the Manual the Blakeslee System of Graded Lessons are to be used, which it is thought will prove very interesting.

This year we are to start a "Cradle Roll," by means of which the babies of the parish will be looked after, and at the proper time enrolled in the Kindergarten, their birthdays in the meanwhile having been properly recognized.

Our rector has returned from his outing, and will soon start his bible class as last year.

ST. JAMES CHURCH.

The rector returned from his vacation on the first Sunday in the month.

Two lay-readers from Trinity College have rendered very acceptable services.

The Sunday-school resumed sessions Sept. 1st.

The Girls Friendly Society is ready for work and the Brotherhood of St. Andrew will resume its meetings.

The Rector's Aid Society had their first meeting since vacation, on Friday, the 6th.

The parish receptions so successful last season, are to be resumed on the middle Thursday of each month.

The Girls Friendly Society and the Brotherhood of St. Andrew are to meet as usual.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER.

The church has been closed all summer. Dr. Adams, our new pastor, opened the services Sunday morning, September 1st, and gave us a sermon of great interest and inspiration.

The Young People's Guild and the Sunday-school both resumed their meetings early in the month.

On Sunday, September 8th, Dr. Adams gave an able sermon on the text "For we are all brethren, one with another." Its subject was President McKinley and his attempted assassination.

OLIVET BAPTIST.

Our pastor has returned from his vacation trip to New Brunswick.

The Christian Endeavor Society gave an ice cream social in the latter part of August which brought a great many of the young people together.

The Sunday-school is making arrangements for Rally Sunday. We are in hopes that now as the cooler weather is coming on our church and the several societies connected therewith, will take a stronger attitude toward Christian work in general and that much good will thereby result. Let us all go forward with stronger determination to do more in the name of our Heavenly Master.

WINDSOR METHODIST.

On Sunday, Aug. 11th, Joseph L. Huntley, a beloved member of the church, passed to his reward after a prolonged illness caused by asthma and heart failure. The funeral services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. F. Dunkerke, at his late residence, Tuesday, the 13th, and his remains interred in the village cemetery.

The Sunday-school enjoyed its annual outing at Forest Grove, Springfield, Mass., Aug. 14th. All had a good time. The day was all that could be wished and many expressed a desire for a repetition of the picnic another year.

Rev. C. S. Beardslee, professor in Hartford Divinity School, preached with great acceptability at the morning service Sunday, Aug. 25th, while the pastor was enjoying a needed rest at Ocean Grove, N. J.

The Sunday-school and Epworth League have recently purchased a number of "Pentecostal Hymns, Numbers 1 and 2, Combined," for use at their various services, which will materially increase the interest, spirit, and fervor of the meetings.

A very unique double wedding was solemnized in the church on Wednesday, Sept. 4th, at 5:30 o'clock. The altar was very tastefully decorated with an arch, covered with ferns, vines and flowers. The parties united in holy wedlock by the pastor were Mr. Clarence E. Parsons of Ellington, Ct., to Miss Ida L. Coe of Windsor, and Mr. Francis M. Charter to Miss Alice M. Parsons, both of Ellington.

The Rev. William C. Prentiss, pastor of Poquonock Congregational church, preached by exchange at the morning service Sunday, Sept. 8th. His subject was 'The Love of God," and his treatment of it was much enojyed.

The Sunday-school has been favored during the summer with colored crayon drawings upon the blackboard, illustrating the lessons of the day, made by Frank Dunkerke, son of the pastor, and a student of Wesleyan Univeristy. The one of Sept. 8th, illustrating Jacob's Dream, and vision of the ladder and the angels ascending and descending, was especially fine and elicited many encomiums of praise.

The original order of holding a preaching service in the evening, which was discontinued a few years ago, and uniting with the Epworth League devotional service, will be resumed Sunday, the 15th inst. The Epworth League will hold its devotional exercises in the Lecture room at 6:30 p. m., and continue until 7 p.m ., when the pastor will hold the preaching service in the auditorium. It is believed that this change will meet with general favor.

CENTER CONGREGATIONAL.

The organ in our auditorium, which has been thoroughly repaired, was used again on Sunday, September 1st, and now gives a great deal of satisfaction.

Mr. Talmadge is on his vacation, having left upon Mr. Potter's return. During the summer he has occupied the pulpit. The Sunday-school, of which he is superintendent, will not be opened until his return October 1st. The young people's meetings will be resumed at the same time.

The church calendar has been discontinued during the summer. Its use will resumed as soon as the regular routine of services begins.

The American Board of Foreign Missions holds a convention here in about three weeks. The meetings will be held in Parsons' Theater. Possibly overflow meetings will be held in our chapel. Many of the members of our church will entertain delegates.

ST. THOMAS CHURCH.

The Sunday-school which has been closed during July and August, reopened for the fall and winter work on Sunday, Sept. 8th, with a good number of both teachers and scholars present.

Sunday evening services will not be held in the church until October.

FIRST BAPTIST.

On Tuesday evening Sept. 10th, a party made up of our Young People's Association attended a watermelon party at Mr. and Mrs. Carrier's home in South Glastonbury.

Our pastor left recently on his vacation which will be spent in Maine.

The plan of uniting all the classes into one large class in our Sunday-school during the summer, proved a success and added to the general interest of the lesson. The regular order will be resumed early in September.

As Mr. Utley, the president of the Young People's Association, has moved from the city, the vice-president, E. Lewis Upton, takes his place as president.

FARMINGTON AVENUE CONGREGATIONAL.

Wednesday evening, Sept. 11th, the annual meeting of the Christian Endeavor Society was held. With it was combined also the regular quarterly business meeting.

The Sunday-school begins its sessions again after a summer vacation, on Sunday, September 15th.

MEMORIAL BAPTIST.

Most of those who have been away are at home again. In the Thursday evening prayer meeting our pastor asked those who felt that they were as strong in their Christian life as at the beginning of the summer to raise their hands Nearly every hand was raised.

Some, we feel sure are stronger in many ways to renew their work. We want to win more than a few souls for Christ during the coming year.

On September 15, the B. Y. P. U. will resume its usual hour of meeting at 6.15.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, EAST HARTFORD.

The Y. P. S. C. E. has resumed its meetings which were discontinued during the month of August. The first Sunday in September was also omitted on account of the weather. At the meeting Sept. 8th, Miss Luella G. Re cor gave a very fine report of the Cincinnati Convention, to which she wa a delegate.

The pastor has returned from his vacation much refreshed. During his absence the pulpit was supplied by Rev. Mr. Phipps of Prospect and Rev. G. A. Bowman.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

It became the sad duty of this church Saturday, Sept. 7th, to lay away to rest one of its oldest and best members, Deacon Lucien Tiffany. He had been one of its strongest pillars. Though lost to us as an active member some three years ago through paralysis, we have kept him in our hearts best affections and memories.

Our pastor was assisted in the funeral services by our former pastor, Rev. W. O. Higley.

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McKINLEY—THE PRESIDENT.

The assault on the life of President McKinley comes home to every citizen of the Republic, almost without exception, as a personal injury. For while a large minority of the people may vote for some other man for the office, the will of the majority is accepted, and the man elected becomes, not the head of a party, but of the whole nation, and he is respected as such by all loyal citizens. He stands for the public itself, and an injury to him, therefore, is a matter of personal concern to every citizen.

There has been no partisanship in the eager interest with which bulletin boards have been watched, and newspapers read. There has been no partisanship in the profound thanksgiving as one favorable report after another has come from the bedside of the wounded and suffering President. There has been no partisanship in the universal prayers which have ascended to God's throne that the life of the President might be spared. As one people we have watched and prayed by his bedside and have rejoiced at the assurances of his recovery.

It speaks well for the nation that this is so. The nation that can justly honor its rulers honors itself.

The American people have always exercised the privilege of criticising its magistrates, and probably will never forego it. But while many have criticised the President for many of his policies concerning state affairs, all will admit that he has doubtless been actuated by a sincere desire to execute the will of the majority. And to-day the nation stands stronger than ever before, and more respected by all other nations on earth.

His latest public address at the Buffalo Exposition sounds the keynote of his whole administration and of his future purpose, that of national progress and international good will.

It is devoutly to be hoped that this event may bring home to the American people the necessity of more closely guarding the person of its chief magistrate. It is not cowardly to avoid every chance of assassination, it is a plain duty to the nation. And in view of this third attempt upon a President's life, there can be no offense taken if he refuses to expose himself on every occasion, or to shake hands with the thousands of strangers who are constantly seeking the privilege.

McKINLEY—THE HUSBAND.

Perhaps nothing in the President's character has so endeared him to the people as his constant consideration for his wife. It was not "with an ear to the ground" that he so quickly said "Don't exaggerate this to Mrs. McKinley." No time for posing and effect then, but the spontaneous utterance of a loyal and loving man in consideration for the beloved wife.

Sad reading the daily papers too often give us in the reports of divorce proceedings, and one is sometimes led to believe that love and fidelity and happy home life are exceptions, but happily we know such is not the case. The strength of the nation is, and always will be, dependent upon the family., and it is a matter of great moment that the head of the nation so conspicuously lives up to our best ideals of family life.

To Mrs. McKinley the heart of the nation goes ont in deepest sympathy in this time of great trial, and the prayers of all are that her own strength may not fail. As the "first lady of the land" she has filled her position with grace and dignity, thongh handicapped always by a constitution not too robust.

What a short time ago it was that the prayers of the people were that this noble woman might be spared to her husband and her country. And those prayers were answered. Again the prayers of the people go up for the President's life and seem almost miraculously answered. And as we rejoice as a people, how profound must be the thansgiving of the wife. Long may the President's home life remain nnbroken and an inspiration for all other homes.

THE ASSASSIN.

To consider dispassionately the character of the President's assassin is a difficult endeavor. If ever charity seemed misplaced it is in this case. Perhaps the most charitable view of his character which can be taken is to class him with those who are mentally deranged, for it is fairly impossible for us to comprehend, that a man in possession of ordinary reason, could deliberately plan and perpetrate such an awful deed. His mental derangement may not be of a kind which commonly lands one in an asylum, yet it is of a kind so dangerous to the welare of any nation that the man so afflicted shonld be alienated from his fellows. There are plenty more of his kind, donbtless. Men who, given the suggestion and the opportunity, would be capable of like deeds. For the sake of the commonwealth they should be effectually restrained, as we restrain victims of insanity.

If this man were a true representative of the poverty stricken masses, of whom we have all too many for all our prosperity—if he were their true representative we might well panse and ask if the conditions which prodnced him could not be remedied, bnt he is not their trne representative, for nnder the rnle of Anarchy the strongest and most cunning would alone survive, while the others would miserably perish. There is a vast difference between organized labor and labor of any kind, however *un*organized and poorly paid, on the one hand, and these enemies of organized government on the other hand. The former are entitled to protection, and to an opportunity to make a decent living, too. The latter are entitled to admission in a government institution where they would be effectually prevented from harm—and they should be promptly placed there.

CONVICT REFORM.

Josiah Flynt, whose studies of tramp and criminal life have made something of a sensation in the last few years, expresses the opinion that prison life makes more criminals than it cures.

If this be true it is time something should be done about it.

A philosopher by the name of Benjamin Franklin, who lived and died some years before Mr. Flynt was born, taught that hard work was a cure for most mental and moral ailments, a more recent philosopher, Thomas Carlysle, confirms this view, and it is possible the idleness, or the wrong sort of work, is responsible for some of the evils of prison life. That it is demoralizing for a man to be shut up with a lot of evil companions, well fed, and with nothing to do, no one can doubt. Men who have nothing to think or talk about but their past evil deeds will demoralize each other and injure themselves. Mr. Flynt testifies that some of the criminals whom he has met averred that they spent their time while in prison in devising new ways to cheat the law. Evidently, then, anything which occupies the mind, muscles and energies of the prisoner so that he has none to spare for this sort meditation will increase the safety of society.

The question is, what is to be done? Degradation and cruelty will not do it; that was the old fashioned method, and it merely produced hardened and desperate criminals who made life for honest people a terror. No good is attained by developing all a man's brute selfishness. Books will not do it, for criminals sometimes use the prison library to increase their expertness in crime. Books on mechanics and engineering are quite useful for this. There remains, then, only the old-fashioned panacea, work.

The great difficulty in setting criminals to work at trades is that the State thus competes with free labor, which legislators think bad poiltics. To be sure, the man can be set at making articles used in the prison itself, but there is not enough of this to occupy all of them. Moreover, working at a trade inside prison walls does nothing for the men themselves. Each is set at doing a single task, and taught little else. Fresh air and sunshine are absent, and these are about the only things which can prevent a man from injuring his health by long hours of monotonous labor. The dangerous traits of the criminal increase when his system is warped by such abnormal surroundings. As a measure of public safety he should be returned to the world in something like a normal condition, if possible.

The Good Roads movement has come nearer solving the criminal problem than anything else. In many states the advent of the bicycle has made it necessary tto improve the roadways. There is not enough free labor available for this, and it is work which an unskilled man can do, and which a mechanic would be wasting time in doing. The farmer, with his crops in need of care, does not want to stop to smooth the roads for bicycles. The city mechanic does not find it profitable to come out and work in a gang at this task. The convict can do this work, and it is good for him. It takes him out into the air and sunshine, it does not overtax his muscles, and it gives him a healthy tiredness which causes them to sleep soundly and refrain from inventing new schemes for preying on the public..

THE AMERICAN BOARD.

An event of considerable importance occurs in October in the annual meeting of the American Board of Foreign Missions in this city. The public meetings will be held at Parson's Theatre and should prove of general interest to all who are interested in missionary work and progress. The meetings will be held from Oct. 8th to 11th, inclusive. It is twenty-five years since the American Board last met in this city, and it is hoped that the present meetings may prove as stimulating to local churches as the meetings in '76 did. It is also hoped that our visitors may carry away pleasant impressions of this city and its hospitality.

SCHOOL GARDENS.

Exhibition of Work at Good Will Hall

The school gardens which have been maintained during the past season under the direction of H. D. Hemenway and S. N. Dunning will give an exhibition of the results of work at Good Will Hall, Saturday afternoon, Sept. 14th, at 2:30 o'clock. Prizes will be awarded, G A. Parker and Theodore Wirth acting as judges. Miss Lucy Perkins will distribute the prizes on behalf of the Civic Club. Rev. Francis Goodwin will make an address, in which he will speak of the future of the school gardens in Hartford. The interest in this work has been considerable and the afternoon promises to be one of profit and revelation to those who attend the exhibition. Messrs. Hemenway and Dunning will outline the experience of the past season.

It has been suggested that our national organizations of young people's societies of different denominations enter some sort of a federation and work together in harmony in certain definite directions. It has been further suggested that all of these organizations hold a national convention at the same time and place.

We suggest that as the Christian Endeavor conventions are now to be held biennially that the inervening years be devoted to interdenominational conventions, but is for the C. E. Society take the initiative.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

Washington, Sept. 11, 1901.

The outrageous attempt to take the life of the President will, it is thought, profoundly and permanently effect social and socio-official life in Washington. Some months ago Mr. Cleveland, regretting the policy of expansion made the remark that our country after absorption of Hawaii, Porto Rico and the Philippines would never again be the same. We may repeat his idea with reference to public funcions here. After the deplorable occurrence at Buffalo public life must be divested, in part, at least of its democratic, wide openness. The President, in whom, for a time, the sovereignty of nearly 90,000,000 of people is reposed must be less accessible to vain and murderous fanatics and since it is impossible to discriminate in a crush he must, in the future, be denied to the uninvited. This will not prevent his being seen by those who have legitimate and worthy business with him, provided they can pass examination in an ante-room.

In no other country in the world has the chief of nation been so easy of access as in ours; but this will be changed and the change will be good in more ways than one. It has long been undesirable that the Executive having the responsibilities of an American President on his hands and mind should have his time and nervous energy exhausted by standing for hours shaking hands with the increasingly large permanent and transient public of Washington.

The disability of the President will lead to the cancellation of all official entertainments. It is not probable that any receptions will be held at the White House this winter, and in that case the chief justice's and cabinet ministers' dinners in honor of the President and their public receptions may also be omitted. A great many walthy families from all parts of the country come to Washington in the winter for the pleasure and novelty of official social life but these will probably seek their diversion this winter in Southern resorts or by trips to Cuba and Porto Rico.

To-day there is spiritual stagnation in many churches, due simply to the fact that these churches have abandoned the apostolic method. They are trying to do by proxy what the apostles did by proximity, trying to make the purse do the work of person.--D. H. Martin.

During the present year the W. C. T. U. will give especial attention to work in Oklahoma among the colored people in the South and among Scandinavian women in North Dakota.

WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

The W. C. T. U. held the first meeting of the season September 3rd. Mrs. Forbes, the president, gave an account of visits to the Plantsville and Unionville unions and to the dedication of a drinking fountain in Portland, also of Temperance day at Willimantic. Prayers were offered for the work of the coming year.

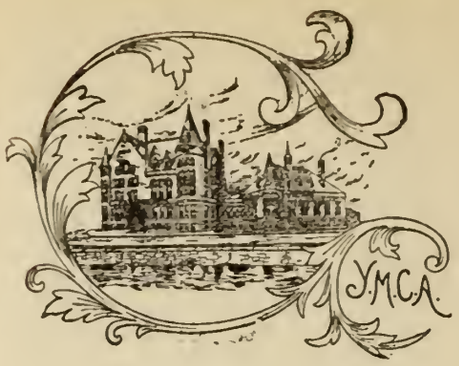
The annual meeting will be held Oct. 1st.

Is the race to become extinct while our women hunt for work higher than that which God gave them. It is infinitely lower work. What Woman's Club or Woman's Column can match the home which the wife and mother makes beautiful and sacred for her husband and sons? What are a thousand canvasses to a live child with its fair dimpled body and living soul?—Ladies'Home Journal.

TOO COMPLETE.

There is such a thing as being too complete and comprehensive in your church printing. A prominent church not many miles from New York now finds itself in a peck of trouble from from this very cause. Recently it published a year book which was really a very hansdsome and complete volume, but in the endeavor to make the work as comprehensive as possible the edition included a table showing the baptisms of members for a long series of years. This table has brought consternation to certain lambs of the fold, and has developed a storm center which makes life a weary road for the statician. Further comment is unnecessary to those who have expert knowledge on the delicate subject of ladies' ages.—The Church Economist.

The test of religion, the final tes of religion, is not religiousness, but love.—Henry Drummond.



Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The Young Men's Christian Association of this city has just issued its annual catalogues of which there are three this year. The first is a handsomely printed booklet of 32 pages, entitled "Worth Thinking Over," which is devoted to the work of the Hillyer Institute. The book gives full particuulars of the different educational classes for men and boys for the coming season. This season 19 branches of study have been arranged for, which will be in charge of sixteen different teachers with Mr. George A. Gregg, as educational director.

October 4th is set for the opening day. These catalogues are being generously distributed and the Association will be glad to send one to anyone who may make application.

The second publication is also a handsomely printed pamphlet of 32 pages which is devoted to the Association as a whole describing all the various departments and giving a brief outline of the methods and principles of the works, list of officers, particulars of membership, etc.

The third is a pamphlet of 20 pages, entitled "A Boys Club," which explains all the plans that will be worked out this coming winter in behalf of the boys of Hartford. It is confidentially expected that, at least, 500 boys between the ages of 10 and 17 will be enrolled in the Boy's Department membership at January 1st. This pamphlet gives full particulars and will be sent free to any parent who may make application for the same.

Nearly three thousand of these have been sent out to boys, whose names have been secured in various ways. Another interesting development for the coming season is the enlarged plans for religious work and the entertainment course. No pains or efforts are being spared to make the Sunday afternoon meeting for men of value and interest.

A series of such meetings are being planned for November and December which are to be held in the Hartford Opera House. Some of the strongest speakers have been engaged for those meetings. A religious work conference will be conducted in October under the leadership of Fred B. Smith of the International Committee.

During the week of Prayer (the second week of November), special evangelistic meetings for men and boys will be conducted by S. M. Sayford of Boston, formerly the noted college evangelist. Four bible classes have been provided for to open Tuesday, October 1st. These classes will be arranged to accommodate various grades of bible students and will be open to all men of this city, who may desire to join them.

The opening days of the new Boy's Department have been set for September 16th and 17th. The opening reception for the general work occurs on Friday, October 4th. In the physical department the fall gymnasium classes will open during the week October 7th to 12th.

THE NEW ORACLE.

China might have done a far more unwise and unpopular thing than to send Wu Ting Fang as minister to America, yet Minister Wu has no aversion to the sound of his own voice, which amiable weakness a writer in the Baltimore American takes off in these capital verses.

If ever you're needing some expert advice
On marriage, divorce or the uses of ice,
Or books,
Or cooks,
Or how to improve your affairs or your looks—
Ask Wu—
Minister Wu—
That is the proper programme to pursue.
On points of religion or matters of state,
Or whether the country is facing its fate,
Or boats,
Or votes,
Or houses, or horses, or garments, or goats,
Ask Wu—
Minister Wu—
He can point out what's the best thing to do
He puts the Britannica out of the race—
There's no cyclopædia he can't displace.
He'll know
What's so
In heaven above or the planets below.
Ask Wu—
Minister Wu—
And don't make a move till he signals to you.

A lie feels easy only when it forgets that it has truth on its track.

ADDITIONAL BOOK NOTICES.

A Little Book of Tribune Verse. By Eugene Field. 256 pages, 12 mo. Denver: Tandy, Wheeler & Co. Price $1.50.

This is a new collection of Field's verses. They were taken from the columns of the Denver Tribune to which they were contributed between the years 1881 and 1883.

Of course in such a collection there is much that is trivial, some that is not even worth republishing, but there is much also that is clever and characteristic of Field at his best. The book will undoubtedly be an acquisition for lovers of Field's writings, more especially, perhaps, because some poems of his which afterward made him famous are printed here in the rough, unrevised form in in which they were first published.

The Tribulations of a Princess. By the author of "The Martyrdom of an Empress." 379 pages, 8 vo. New York: Harper & Brs. Price $2.25.

"The Martyrdom of an Empress" made a sensation a few years ago. It was published anonymously. Now the author of that book has given us this autobiography. It is a recital, of personal woes, but of a great degree of general interest. There can be little doubt but that the author is familiar with the lives he writes of.

Intimate personal reflections of the Austrian and Russian courts, of kings and emperors, of intrigues, make the volume a valuable one, in many respects.

Bird-Life. By Frank M Chapman. 290 pages, 8 vo. New York: D. Appleton & Co. Price $2.00.

Mr. Chapman is Associate Curator of Vertebrate Zoology in the American Museum of Natuural History and his position, to say nothing of his previous writings, gives him some authority

The present volume is distinguished among bird-books for a large number of beautifully colored lithograph reproductions of drawings by Ernest Seton-Thompson of the birds in their natural colorings and marks, thus making it easy to identify any bird, especially when one has become familiar with the text of the book.

The early chapters define the bird, its place in nature, its relation to man, describing the color, voices, migrations and habits of different varieties. The book may readily be described as one of the best bird-books published in recent years.

One of the great packing houses of Chicago has prohibited profanity upon its premises.

ADDITIONAL CHURCHES.

NEW BRITAIN AVE. MISSION.

Evening meetings were resumed on Sunday evening, the 1st, Rev. R. H. Potter of Center church occupying the pulpit. Last Sunday, the 8th, Secretary Jacks of Y. M. C. A. was the speaker.

Many of the absentees having returned from summer vacations, the attendance is increasing.

Superintendent Agard of the Sunday-school was absent over Sunday on a vacation, his place being taken by Henry S. House, assistant.

Mrs. Chas. Belden has returned and the meetings of the Blossom Band have been resumed.

WETHERSFIELD METHODIST.

The pastor has returned and now occupies the pulpit.

The attendance has somewhat increased the last two weeks, the members having returned from their vacations.

The church realized about fifteen dollars from the social given Tuesday evening Sept. 3rd.

PARK CONGREGATIONAL.

The church has been closed, all meetings having been omitted during the month of August. It reopened again on the first Sunday in this month.

Our pastor spent his vacation in the mountains of North Carolina.

At our midweek meeting, Thursday, Sept. 12th, the pastor began a series of informal lectures on the general topic "Great Truths of Religion." The series is designed to set at rest the troubles of those who worry over small differences of doctrine.

The annual meeting of the American Board of Foreign Missions is soon to be held in this city. Many of our members are arranging to entertain delegates.

SOUTH PARK METHODIST.

Our pastor, Rev E. S. Ferry and his family, have returned from their vacation, as have also many others of our church and congregation.

An important business meeting of the Christian Endeavor Society will be held Friday evening, Sept. 13th. the principal business being the re-organization of the society as an Epworth League. Plans for the fall and winter will be formulated and it is hoped that more earnest and enthusiastic work will be the result of the change.

Mr. Warren Cressy of our church and Young People's Society, who has entered the Yale Law School as a student will leave for New Haven the coming week. The Sunday-school will observe its annual Rally Day on Sunday, Oct. 6th. A special program is being prepared and an effort will be made to have every member of the school present or accounted for on that day.

The Junior and Senior Young People's Soieties will resume their meetings the first Sunday in Otober.

FOURTH CONGREGATIONAL.

Miss Minnie A. Dougherty of Holyoke, Mass., has been appointed parish visitor of this church, succeeding Miss Winifred Eddy. Miss Dougherty will also have charge of the primary department of the Sunday-school. Miss Eddy resigned to enter the evangelistic field. The new incumbent is a graduate of the Bible Normal School at Springfield and has taken post graduate studies at Clark University, Worcester.

THE OPEN HEARTH.

Notwithstanding the extreme heat the evening meetings have been held as usual and have been productive of much good. Hardly an evening passes without some professing their determination to leave off bad habits and lead good lives for the future. Many calls also are made at Superintendent Miller's office between 9 and 10 o'clock each morning and each case is patiently heard and such advice given as may seem applicable to the case.

The Fresh Air Excursions have been a great delight to the children who have participated and to the weary mothers as well, and are a means of health as well as enjoyment.

The Gospel Wagon continues its work each Sunday at Pope's Grove and the attendance continues very large. Much interest is manifested in Superintendent Miller's addresses and the after meetings which are held at the close of the services are fully attended. Many who had for years neglected their religious duties have attended these services and professed their determination to lead better lives and attend more strictly to their duties in the future. The outlook is encouraging for an extension of the work and our superintendent and those who have assisted him, feel well repaid for their labors..

The Sand Yard and swings are fully employed by the little ones and have become departments of the Open Hearth which could not well be dispensed with. The whole work of the Open Hearth is increasing and the good done can not be estimated.

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CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS.

(From the Presbyterian C. E. Manual)

Sept. 15—True Honor. John 5:41-44.

TOPIC THOUGHTS

It is better to deserve than to get.

Earth's laurels all fade.

True honor comes only to the true.

Worth is honor.

God alone makes no mistakes in distributing honors.

Position before men may not be honor before God.

True honor comes only from God.

We may be cheated out of earthly position and honor by others, but only ourself can deprive us of eternal honor.

Helpfulness is honored in heaven.

True humility is truly honored.

The more worthy we are of earth's honors, the less we care for them.

Better God's praise than men's applause.

Honor is found in the search for duty.

Sept. 22.—The Saloon Power Doomed. Ps. 37:1-10.

THE SALOON MUST GO!

Why?

Because it is an enemy to God.

Because its foundation is human lust.

Because it cannot stand before the better instincts of manhood, when once they are aroused.

Because its presence is a bar to the highest progress.

When?

When a united Christian sentiment says "Go,' to the saloon" it will depart.

When men realize that they are their brothers' keepers.

When our religion becomes real enough to make us true humanitarians.

When the disciples get ready to obey all the commands of their Master.

By Whom?

The dormant knightliness of manhood, when awakened, will put the saloon to a swift death.

The voters who love their land more than they love their political party will be the saloon's executioners.

The prayers of the common mother-heart are hastening the destruction of this arch enemy of all sons.

The power of the Highest will yet be displayed upon this chief instrument of Satan.

Sept. 29.—Missions: Growth of the Kingdom. Ps. 72.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

The kingdom comes one soul at a time.

The coming kingdom is an increasing kingdom.

Christians on their knees; converts over seas.

The kingdom grows apace as Christians grow in grace.

Praying saints push the kingdom's borders outward.

If the kingdom is to come we must "go."

The advance of the kingdom may create war, but it brings peace.

Our king precedes his heralds.

The kingdom's success in the past is our summons for the future.

The kingdom's triumph may be hindered, but it cannot be prevented.

The coming of the kingdom is more important than the comfort of the saints.

Oct. 6.—"This Grace also." II Cor. 8:7-9.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

Large giving helps to larger living

Giving is both a grace and a duty.

Gratitude is a good gift.

Stingy saints starve.

Covetousness bars God's approach to our heart's throne.

Love leads to liberality.

No gift is good that is not given graciously.

Our purse given to God may purchase his power for us.

Love carries no yardstick.

We owe all to God, since we get all from God.

Give greatly, live graciously.

We cannot be generous to God; only just.

God's sovereignty may be denied by our selfishness.

God most desires what most interests us.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

Oct. 13.—Dark Days and their Lessons. Ps. 107:1-15.

Bright lives are grown on dark days

There need never be darkness within.

Troubles teach trust.

The mutability of things preaches the immutability of Christ.

When lowest in circumstances we may be highest in grace.

Sorrow is the school of strength.

We are never sure of ourself until we have suffered.

Sorrow teaches sympathy.

The lonely learn the love of God.

The failure of funds and friends leads us to the Friend who never fails.

Christian Endeavor in the Episcopal church has been making marked progress lately, both in Jamaica, W. I., and California, as well as in England, where a union of thirty societies has been formed. In Kingston, Jamaica, there are two societies, one only three months old with upwards of a hundred members. There is a flourishing society in Christ church, Los Angeles, Cal., and the rector, Rev. George T. Dowling, D. D., offers the use of his name as an advocate of Christian Endeavor, while the bishops of both northern and southern California have sanctioned the introduction of the Society wherever rectors and vestries are agreed in wanting it.

The open-air meetings that Chicago Endeavorers, particularly those of the Immanuel Baptist church, have conducted this summer have not been pleasure jaunts. At one, in the stockyards district, a priest drove the people away as fast as they assembled to hear the singing. Some one threw a wad into one of the cornets, but the players and singers kept right on. A young lady had a waist ruined by lemonade thrown on her, but Chairman Van Meter of the evangelistic committee of the Chicago Endeavor union told her she ought to be thankful she did not get the pitcher. A workman brought his four motherless children and asked for help to break the drink habit. The Endeavorers took up large collections, chiefly mud

HARTFORD C. E. UNION.

Since Miss Thayer's return from the Cincinnati convention, which she attended as a delegate, she has read her report of the convention at the meetings of a number of different societies and probably will be called on many more as the churches take up their fall work again.

Mr. Goslee, the president of the union, led the C. E. Society meeting at the Asylum Avenue Congregational church on Sunday evening, September 8th.

On Tuesday, September 24th, the directors of the union meet to discuss plans and arrange schedule of officers for the annual meeting to be held shortly.

Conducted by Mr. George Whipple Steele.

Questions on musical subjects of general interest will be answered in this department.

ITEMS

Mr. N. H Allen, organist of the Center church, gave a recital in Buffalo at the Pan-American Fair. Mr. Allen was well received and heartily congratulated.

Some one asks us: "What is the object of church music?" We can easily tell what we think it is, but the next man has different thoughts about it. Perhaps some of our many conductors of church music can answer the question, if so, we shall be pleased to print the answer in these columns.

The organ in the Temple of Music at the Pan-American Exposition, is very cordially endorsed by many of the fine organists who have given recitals there this season.

The building itself is well arranged, and the acoustic qualities are good, but the ornaments on the outside are overdone and tiresome. Columns decorated with medalions of musicians, flowers, birds, plants, musical instruments etc., etc., are certainly not devoid of interest, but is it good art?

In these hustling times teachers are "in to-day and out tomorrow."

After years of service, Mr. Irving Emerson, teacher of music in the Hartford High School, has resigned and his resignation has been accepted.

Mr. Emerson has made many friends in and about Hartford, and he can be assured that he will not soon be forgotten.

In his retirement he has the kindest wishes of the thousands of pupils who have enjoyed his teaching.

Many happy days to you Mr. Emerson.

It is officially admitted that "A Hot Time in the Old Town To-night" was the air to which the American soldiers in China went to victory. Lieut.-Col. Jesse M. Lee, who just returned from China, when asked about it, said:

"Did they play it?" he repeated. "Yes, indeed, they did. They played 'God Save the Queen' and 'Wacht am Rhein' and all those, but when they wanted the boys to do business they gave 'em 'Hot Time,' and the boys always did the business. Yes, that's what we march to in China. In fact, it was so well recognized as our air that the French came to us one evening and asked us please to play 'Zat Varm Time in ze Village zis Evening.'"

Handel was one of the most humorous of mortals, and at the same time one of the most irritable. His best jokes were perpetrated frequently during his most violent bursts of passion. Having occasion to bring out one of his oratorios in a provincial town of England, he began to look about for such material as the place might afford. One and another was recommended, as usual, as being a splendid singer, a great player, and so on. After a while these were gathered together in a room and, after preliminaries, Handel made his appearance, puffing, both arms full of manuscripts. "Gentlemen," quoth he, "you all read manuscripts?" "Yes, yes," responded from all parts of the room. "We play in the church," added an old man behind a violoncello. 'Very well, play dis," said Handel, distributing the parts. This done, and a few explanations delivered, Handel retired to a distant part of the room to enjoy the effect. The stumbling, fumbilng and blundering that ensued is said to have been indescribable. Handel's sensitive ear and impetuous spirit could not long brook the insult, and clapping his hands to his ears, he ran to the old gentleman of the violoncello, and shaking his fist furiously at the terrified man and the instrument, said, "You play in de church!—very well—you may blay in de church—for we read, De Lord is long suffering, of great kindness, forgiving iniquity, transgression and sin; you sal blay in de church, but you sal not blay for me!" and snatching together his manuscripts, he rushed out of the room, leaving his astonished performers to draw their own conclusions.

THE FEEDING OF CHILDREN.

Of all the members of the animal creation, civilized nations furnish the only examples with which we are acquainted, the half of whom are entirely successful in making a specialty of dying before they are seven years of age.

The principal agents in this wholesale slaughter of the innocents are not only the kinds of food that are dealt out to the little ones, but fully as frequently the times at which these foods are given

With the infant at the breast the kind of food is usually all right. If the child is not breast fed, there are many excellent foods on the market which, as well as cow's milk, are good if properly prepared. As regard frequency of feeding, I should not much exaggerate should I state that children are always fed too often.

Although perhaps it might not be necessary or advisable to follow the pace set by the Rochester Foundling Asylum a number of years ago in the matter of infrequent feeding of children, even that plan would be preferable to the methods commonly employed. For one whole year in the asylum referred to even the youngest infants were fed but three times a day, with the result that for that whole season, and for the first time in the history of the institution, no death occurred from cholera infantum or allied troubles of stomach or bowels.

For the first three months of its life the child should be nursed or fed not oftener than every three hours during the day and once or twice at night.

The intervals between feedings should now be gradually lengthened until by the fifth month it should receive nourishment but once in four hours during the day and once at night.

After the sixth month no food should be given at night, and by the end of the ninth month but three times a day. —A. G. Henry, M. D. in Good Health.

THE MUMPS.

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In addition to this, while the Company has abundance of water at the mill and near the mine, the mine itself is free from it, thus saving expense of pumping and pumping machinery.

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This possession of a lode full of rich gold ore having been substantiated through a most critical examination of the property by a competent Hartford man, it remains to demonstrate why the results claimed can be obtained, and how they are assured to the stockholders.

Assays from all parts of the lode range in values from $22.37 to $571.00 per ton. Ore milled from five shafts yielded gold in bullion returns of $20.00 to $85.00 per ton. The Company milled 221 tons of refuse ore, with an average yield of $9.40 per ton.

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No. 80 William St.,
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Received this day of Edw. A. Meysenburg, President, Guadalupe Mining and Milling Company, for safe keeping and in trust for the company and its stockholders, as follows:

A. For safe keeping.

1. Articles of incorporation, with letter of Attorney General of Arizona authorizing the transaction of business.
2. By-laws of the Company.
3. Deeds to mine.
4. Deed to Mill and Mill site.
5. Plat of properties.
6. Letter of Mining Engineer and Metallurgist, Jno. C. F. Randolph of New York, endorsing Mr. Geo. U. Ingersoll, the Company's engineer at the Mine.

B. In trust for stockholders:

7. Deposit of 400,000 shares of full-paid stock, as guarantee of good faith and of sufficiency of funds to be held until two dividends have been paid to stockholders out of Net earnings.
8. Agreement that no salaries shall be paid to any person not actually employed by the Company in producing results, and that until a dividend out of Net earnings has been paid no salary to any one officer shall exceed $2,000 per annum.

(Signed) H. M. Andrews.

LITERARY DEPARTMENT

The terrible suffering from the heat this summer will call the attention of readers with special force to the article on 'The Poor in Summer'' by Robert Alston Stevenson, in the September Scribner's. The author is familiar with every phase of the life of the poor in great cities, and also knows intimately the work that is doing for their amelioration.

The September Review of Reviews is an unusual number. Merely to list the contents of this issue is to enumerate the topics that have ''preferred position'' in the current daily news. The great steel strike, the career of Admiral Schley, the contributions of Dr. Koch to the modern method of dealing with consumption, the rapid advance of the horseless carriage the conditions in Kansas after the summer's drought, are some of the subjects treated in this number.

In an early issue of the Saturday Evening Post, Doctor Nansen, the eminent Arctic Explorer, will describe the various pole-seeking expeditions of the year.

The World's Work for September contains the strikingly interesting story of one of the most notable achievements American industry has ever accomplished. How the famous Goktiek viaduct was built near Mandalay, of American-made material, according to an American estimate, by an American company, is told by J. C. Turk who was the engineer in charge of the construction, and the article is finely illustrated by photographs.

Readers of the September Century will not complain of any lack of variety in its contents. The opening pages of the magazine are taken up with an illustrated paper on ''Mid-Air Dining Clubs,'' by Cleveland Moffett, who feels quite at ease on the top floors of twenty-story sky-scrapers, after his recent experiences with steeple climbers, bridge-builders, and other followers of 'Careers of Danger and Daring.'' David Gray, a Buffalo journalist, describes the Pan-American Exposition under the happy title, ''The City of Light.'' Some of the many pictures in this article are from the hand of A. Castaigne, who illustrated for the same magazine the World's Fairs at Paris and Chicago.

Miss Eveline Mitford has an article in the September Quiver on ''Some Celebrated Women Hymn Writers.''

''Miss Alcott's Letters to Her 'Laurie,'' now printed for the first time, and edited by ''Laurie'' himself, form one of the strongest features of The Ladies' Home Journal for September.

Twentieth Century Educational Problems. By Alex Copeland Millar, A. M., President of Hendrix College. 230 pages, 12 mo. New York: Hinds & Noble. Price $1.00.

This is, as the title implies, a consideration of the problems of education which confront us in this era and how they may be met.

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Historic Pilgrimages in New England. By Edwin M. Bacon. 475 pages, 8 vo. Boston: Silver, Burdett & Co. Price $1.50.

The reader is conducted on an imaginary tour through scenes made famous by association with American history.

Mr. Bacon reveals a number of historic spots comparatively unknown hitherto by most people. The author is well informed and he has taken special pains to verify historical accounts and to correct many fallacious beliefs.

It is needless to say that the book is interesting. The numerous illustrations alone insure that. Many are from photographs taken on the spot and others are from rare prints and old pictures

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Anting—Anting Stories. By Sargent Kayme. 235 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Small, Maynard & Co. Price $1.25.

These are stories of Filippino life, eleven in number. It is said the author is a well known writer who prefers to publish these short stories anonymously. Some of them are strange and weird, but they all give excellent pictures of Filippino life and customs. ''Mrs. Hannah Smith, Nurse,'' will be found especially interesting.

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Home Thoughts. By ''C.'' 320 pages, 12 m . New York: A. S. Barnes & Co. Price $1.50.

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In the House of His Friends. By Col. Richard Henry Savage. 328 pages, 12 mo. New York: The Home Publishing Co. Price $1.25.

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The Grapes of Wrath. By Mary Harriott Norris. 345 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Small, Maynard & Co. Price $1.50.

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The Potter and the Clay. By Maud Howard Peterson. 348 pages, 12 mo Boston: Lothrop Publishing Co. Price $1.50.

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The Apocalypse. Illustrated by Albert Durer. 75 pages, large 8 vo. New York: R. H. Russell.

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The text from the Revelations of St. John the Divine is printed in a quaint old type on fine paper. The illustrations are also reproduced on paper perfectly suited to bringing out their smallest details.

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King's End. By Alice Brown. 264 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Houghton, Mifflin & Co. Price $1.50.

This novel takes its name from the quaint and sequestered New Hampshire village in which its scenes are laid. It is the romance of a girl who hesitated between love and what she regarded as a "call." There is a tragic sugestion in the characters of an itinerant evangelist and his sister, and a social castaway. Amusement is contributed by an old grandmother who, under great emotional stress, recovers nse of her paralyzed limbs, and by some eccentric village characters.

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The Kidnapped Millionaires. By Frederick Upham Adams. 504 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Lothrop Publishing Co. Price $1.50.

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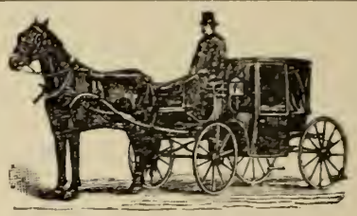

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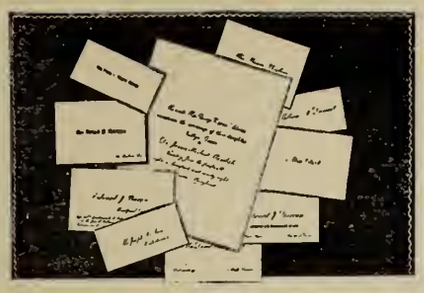

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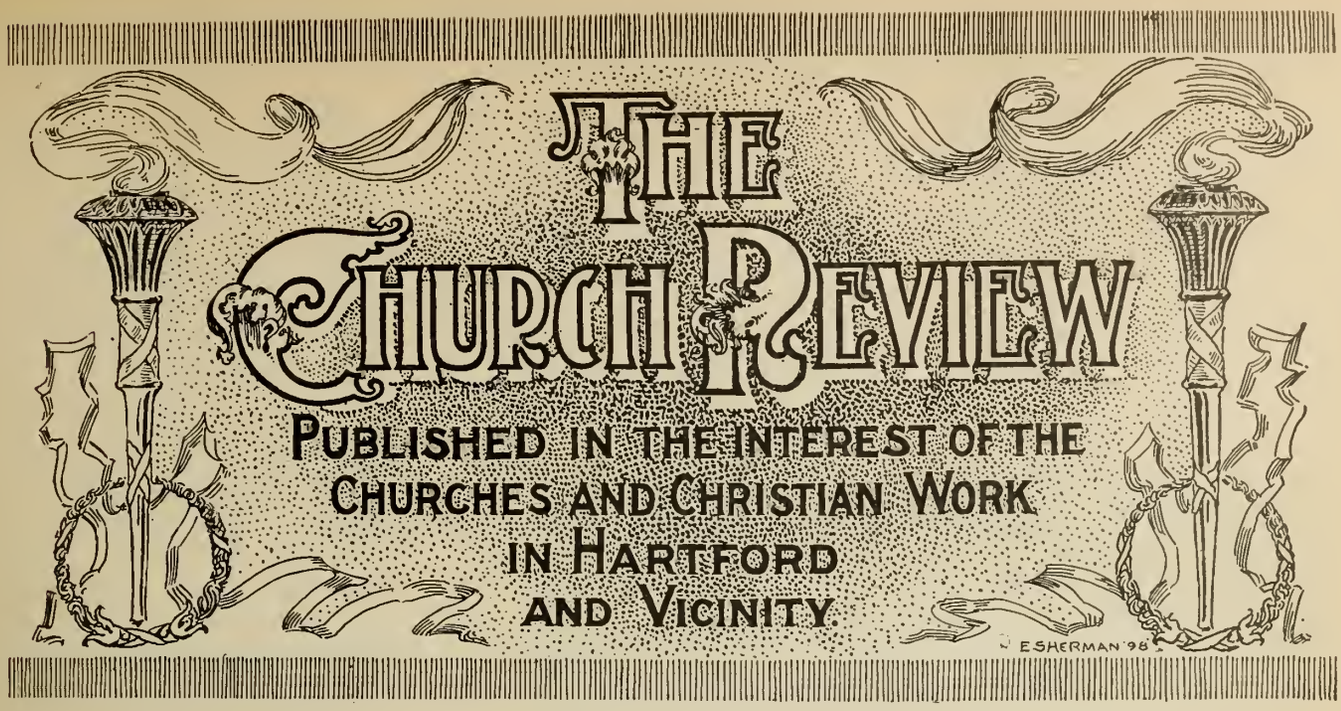

TO GIVE IS TO LIVE.

"Forever the sun is pouring its gold
On a hundred worlds that beg and borrow;
His warmth he squanders on summits cold,
His wealth on the homes of want and sorrow.
To withhold his largess of precious light
Is to bury himself in eternal night.
To give
Is to live.
The flower blooms not for itself at all,
Its joy is the joy it freely diffuses;
Of beauty and balm it is prodigal,
And it lives on the perfume it sweetly loses:
No choice for the rose but glory or doom;
To exhale or smother, to wither or bloom.
To deny
Is to die.
The seas lend silvery rains to the land,
The land its sapphire streams to the ocean;
The heart sends blood to the brain of command,
The brain to the heart its lightning motion;
And over and over we yield our breath,
Till the mirror is dry and images death.
To live
Is to give.
He is dead whose hand is not open wide
To help the need of his human brother;
He doubles the length of his life-long ride
Who gives his fortunate place to another;
And a thousand million lives are his,
Who carries the world in his sympathies.
To deny
Is to die."

—Selected.

THE BEST BOOK AND A BOOK TO USE.

By Rev. W. B. Tuthill.

We live in the day of many books—many good books, but the Bible is still the best book. The Bible is *the* book. "The Bible is not like other books." As snow crowned peaks tower above the low lying hills, so the Bible in the majesty of its thought and the importance of its message, towers above all other books.

"By their fruits ye shall know them." The fruitage of this book is seen in sinful lives made holy, in weak lives made strong, in sorrow comforted, in despair changed to hope, in captives set free. The wisdom of the ages is here, and he is not wise who has not been taught in the things of the book of life.

God speaks to us in many ways. The earth being His, and the fullness of the earth being from Him, it must needs be that whoever lifts up his eyes unto the beauty of the hills sees something of the glory of God. Whoever has ears to hear receives God's messages from ten thousand voices of nature. But what He could not say through the flowers and the trees, through the mountains and the streams, He could say through human hearts which had been inspired by Him, and through human lives which had been transformed by His spirit. And so He has spoken to us.

If man would be free he must know the truth. If man would have life even abundant and eternal he must know God, not the God of nature alone, but the God of grace in Christ Jesus our Lord. Now the Bible is the great mine of truth. The purest gold and the most precious gems are here. For the knowledge of God which makes us wise unto salvation we must search the Scriptures.

The Bible is the best book then because it enables us to know God. The word has been fulfilled—"I will dwell in them and walk in them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people." The Bible is the record of God's life with men, and His walk among men. It tells how He has become their God and how they have become his people.

Other great books of religion when put in the balance with the Bible are found wanting. They are broken lights. They fail to comprehend all men in their sympathy and interest. They are retrogressive rather than progressive. This Book is a message from the heart of God to the heart of man; a book for the race. If the story starts with one family, one tribe and one nation, it does not stop until it embraces all peoples, and has said plainly that He is the Father of all. The older portions of the Scriptures are but a promise of what is to come in the fullness of time; and when the promise is fulfilled there is nothing to disappoint us in the riches of grace and truth as revealed in Jesus Christ. Once more the power and authority of the Bible message is that which comes by virtue of its historical trustworthiness. We are not called to believe in cunningly devised fables, but in things which have surely taken place among us; for while in the variety of its forms the revelation may pass at times into a poem or an allegory or a personal epistle nevertheless the book is set in history and the faith which it nourishes is an historic faith moving down to us with all the sure certainty of things

that are known. In all other sacred books men are searching after God. In the Bible men find God. This it is that makes the Bible the Best Book. We speak truly too, when we say that in other books God is searching after men. In the Bible the Shepherd finds the sheep that was lost, the Saviour finds the sinner, the Father finds His son. This makes it a blessed book to us all.

Now this book is given to us to *use*. Food to nourish the body must be eaten. The Word to save the life must be received. Thus becomes "profitable for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness that the man of God may be perfect thoroughly furnished unto all good works." The Bible is a book to live by. It is daily bread for the inner life. Well is it that no householder of good New England heritage is without a copy of these Scriptures somewhere under the ancestral roof-tree. It is well that in most homes a fine large copy may be seen in some conspicuous place. But let us not forget that the Bible is a book to be used. It is a book to be worn out rather than to be preserved.

Wheat is found buried in husks. Burrs surround the meat of the nut. Truth, is given in story, poem, and precept. Read the story, interpret the poem, obey the precepts; so shall the truth which maketh wise and glad bring riches of peace to thy soul.

The Bible should have a hearing from every man. It may be said with truth that it asks nothing more. Those who have spoken most loudly against the Bible have usually been those who knew but little about it. Hume was a learned man but he admitted that he had never given the New Testament a careful reading. Had he done so, perhaps he would have been a man of faith. The historian, Guizot, was an unbeliever until he began the preparation of an edition of Gibbon for publication. This work led him to examine the historical evidences of Christianity and he became a believer. Max Muller was a skeptic. He was led to read the New Testament carefully. After the reading he spoke thus: "How shall I describe what I found in the New Testament? I had not read it for many years, and was prejudiced against it when I took it in hand. The light which struck Paul with blindness on his way to Damascus was not more strange, more surprising, to him than it was to me, when I suddenly discovered the fulfillment of all hopes, the highest perfection of philosophy, the explanation of all revelations, the key to all the seeming contradictions of the physical world. The whole world seems to be ordered for the sole purpose of furthering the religion of the Redeemer; and if religion is not divine, I understand nothing at all." Such power has the Bible to commend itself if only it can get a hearing.

We sometimes have the idea that the Bible is a sealed book; that no one can open it save those who are armed with the trappings of the schools. This is not true. The great words righteousness and love, repentance and forgiveness, peace and salvation—these are written so large that he who runs may read them.

Use the Bible for the enrichment of personal life in the Christian graces. "There is not a grace in any human character, of wife, or child, of parent or of friend that does not draw its life and inspiration from the sublime mysteries of the truth, as they are declared to us in the word of God." So spake Dr. Storrs.

The Bible is a book for every day use, not for Sundays alone. For glad days as for days of sorrow. It is a book for working days. It tells what work to do and how to do it. It tells us how to lay up riches—the kind of riches and where to put them that they may be safe.

This book is for children to use. It speaks the language of childhood when it says "God made," "God sees," "God speaks." Other books are clumsy and insufficient when put to the test of a child's questionings. The Bible is the best book to use here. And this is the best book for old age too. When the feet become weary and the eye dim, then the word becomes a lamp to the feet and a light to the path.

The Bible is a book for young men to use. The Hero of God was a young man of thirty years and we come under the spell of His perfect life when we abide in the word and the word abides in us. It was a young man who set up heavenly standards upon the earth. Over the pages of the Bible let young men linger long and think diligently.

Once more for the securing of our national foundations and for the purifying of our national life let us use the Bible. "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord." All our best traditions are inseperably connected with the Bible. In the days of privations and dangers our Fathers stood fast in the strength of the Word. In the same strength let us stand. "And these words which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart; and thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children."

Christ does not reign over the heart which denies his kingship over its treasure.

In the dark days we most clearly see the light of the world.

UNITY CHURCH.

Unity church and Sunday-school resumed services after the summer vacation on Sept. 15th. A memorial service for President McKinley was held. Mr. Waite, after a tribute to the nobility of his character, especially as shown in his demeanor toward his assassin, discussed anarchy in a philosophical way and its remedy. The desk was appropriately draped and the selections by the choir suited to the occasion. They included the anthems, "Thy sun shall no more go down," and "God is our refuge." The congregational singing of "Nearer my God, to Thee," and "America" was very impressive. The sermon was reported in The Hartford Times of Sept. 16th. In the Sunday-school a memorial service was used.

On Sept. 29th, Mr. Waite preached at Cornell University and the desk was supplied by Rev. S. R. Free, who gave an interesting sermon on the first chapter of Genesis. On October 13th, Mr. Waite preached on "Our Religious debt to John Fiske." He called him the "Pontifex Maximus of the 19th Century"—that is, the greatest bridge builder," who bridged the chasm between Science and Religion.

The Sunday-school has lost two members who are greatly missed—Miss Waite who is at Cornell University, and Miss Eaton at Mt. Holyoke college.

Miss Weyhe of Rockville, a very efficient and experienced teacher, has taken the primary class, and Miss Blaisdell of the South school, who is an earnest worker, has a class.

NEWINGTON CONGREGATIONAL.

Several from this church attended the meetings of the American Board in Hartford.

The Sunday-school offerings for the past six weeks were given to the orphans in China. The next six weeks offerings will be given to the orphans in India.

Oct. 20th will be Rally Day in our Sunday-school. An interesting program has been prepared. Mr. Spooner and Mr. Hall will give addresses in the evening.

Mr. Cyrus Francis of Brookfield preached during Rev. Mr. Macy's absence in Plymouth, Mass.

Mr. Thomas A. Francis and Miss Bertha M. Dart will be married Thursday evening, Oct. 17th.

Deacon Levi Deming of Middletown spoke a few words to the Sunday-school Oct. 6th. He has been a Sunday-school scholar for seventy-seven years.

The Young Ladies' Mission Circle will study Africa the coming year.

VEGETARIAN DIET FOR MUSCLE.

The athletes of ancient Greece were trained entirely on a vegetable diet. The boatmen of Constantinople, who live on bread, cherries, figs, dates and other fruits, have a wonderful muscular development. The children of the desert exist for a long time upon a handful of dates a day, and travellers speak of raisins and parched corn as a common fare.—The Vegetarian.

EL DESIERTO.

One of the most delightful trips to be made in the neighborhood of the City of Mexico is that to the ruins of the old Carmelite monastery, known as "ElDesierto," which is situated southwest of Mexico City in the mountains of the Ajusco range. Just why this place is called "El Desierto" no one can say; as certainly it is anything but a desert, being one of the loveliest spots around the Valley of Mexico. "The Deserted" might be an appropriate name for it, but "The Desert" never! It is supposed to have been erected early in the sixteenth century as a place of religious retreat by the monks of the Carmelite Brotherhood, their main church being situated in the village of San Angel, a short distance from Mexico City, and known as "Our Lady of Mount Carmel." No more secluded spot could have been chosen, as, after leaving the high road running between Mexico and the city of Toluca, it is some six miles ere the ruins are reached there being no road, but a trail winding in and out around the spurs of the mountain until a comparatively level spot is reached between two giant spurs with deep, yawning ravines on either side. This spot the monks beautified by planting orchards and gardens. Diverting the water from one of the numerous brooks which abound in this region, they brought it down to the monastery, making it blossom like the rose. Here they constructed a huge pile of buildings with church and cloisters, the whole inclosed by a great stone wall having but one opening. Entering, one finds himself in an extensive patio (court). On the eastern side of this is a doorway leading into another patio, where seem to have been the kitchens and servants' quarters On the north side of the first patio there leads off a long, narrow corridor with other corridors radiating from it. Along these corridors are groups of apartments consisting of two rooms and a small patio, which were perhaps the private apartments of some of the monks. In these are found fireplaces, as the monks evidently felt the chill of the keen mountain air. The numerous small corridors are occupied by much smaller and more tomb-like looking cells and these small corridors seem to run off into every direction, forming a perfect maze—now opening into larger corridors or into a patio, where there is seen what was once a fountain, and no doubt then surrounded by beautiful flowers. The church is reached by following one of the numerous corridors, it being curiously situated in the center of the group. It is of quite good size, and is in a splendid state of preservation, so far as the walls and roof are concerned but there is no flooring whatever. Near the main church building are several small chapels, and what were perhaps the vestry rooms, from one of which ascends a stone stairway, leading to the tower. These are in a good state of preservation, though crumbling in places. The view from the tower is lovely indeed, and one could sit here and dream the afternoon away, peopling in his mind the monastery as it was, with the monks passing to and fro in the patios below, and could well weave around them some of the stories that are told as having happened here Just below to the left can be seen the fragment of a double wall, where it is said was walled in alive a young monk, discovered to be a maiden who had followed from Spain her lover, who was one of the monks. Descending from the tower and passing east from the church through a small chapel is entered what apears to be a large patio or garden, with a stone foundation in the center, and surrounded on thre sides with the ruins of what were formerly arched corridors, the fourth side being the great outer wall. In one of the corners of this garden, near the outer wall, is a small tower with steps leading down into subterranean dungeons. These are a succession of small arched cells about ten feet square and six or seven feet high, running around the four sides of a square. There is but one outlet to these dungeons, and after traversing the whole one finds himself back where he came in. One of the corner cells is larger and seems to have been a sort of chapel, having a vaulted roof which extends above ground and admits the light. The walls of this room are filled with

THE TOWERS OF EL DESIERTO.

portholes, and it would seem that these dungeons could be used as a place of refuge as well as a place of punishment for refractory monks or prisoners. To the rear of the buildings is a succession of what were once orchards and gardens, with a small chapel at the farthermost end, all being inside the great surrounding wall. All about the monastery are caves which, it is said, the monks used as places of penitence as well as for shelter from storms After three visits to this interesting old pile, the writer still finds a fascination about it; perhaps because it is impossible to see it all and appreciate its beauty in one visit, as a one day's trip does not permit of more than a couple of hours' stay at the ruins, including time spent at luncheon, which, after four hours' riding *en burro* and in the bracing air of the mountains, is no small affair.

GATEWAY TO EL DESIERTO.

To reach El Desierto, one must take the street cars to the village of Tacubaya, and there change cars for the little Indian pueblo of Santa Fe, just at the foot of the mountains. Here burros are secured, and, after numerous delays in settling the terms for the use of the animals, the party is off for a ten-mile ride, mounted on these sure-footed if slow little beasts. Leaving Santa Fe, the road is rough and very dusty, and with the sun beating mercilessly down one is glad when at last the steep ascent of the mountain is made and the shade of the cool and inviting woods is entered. Was there ever such a scene as that which unfolded after the first steep grade is climbed? As we wind in and around the cliffs along the narrow defile, just below us can be seen the entire valley of Mexico, all the white towers of the city glistening in the sunlight, with Lake Texcuco and the mountains in the background. Soon, however, this glorious view is shut off. We are now in the dense woods surrounding El Desierto. Only those who have lived long where there are comparatively no trees can fully appreciate the beauty of this dense and silent forest. One feels like shouting for joy just to be among the trees. Looking down from the edge of a deep ravine on one side, or gazing up at the steep cliffs above, one wanders in and out around cliff and ravine, until at last, with scarcely a moments warning, the one great tower of El Desierto is before you. How grim and silent it seems! You can scarce wait until the luncheon is over before beginning its exploration.—Texie L. Burns, in Modern Mexico.

THE OPEN HEARTH

The attendance at the evening meetings and at morning prayer, held at nine o'clock each morning, has materially increased as cooler weather has set in, and soon the fall and winter work will have fully commenced Many who have been employed on farms are now coming back to the city and need the kind welcome and cheering word which Superintendent Miller and his assistants is ever ready to give to keep them from again falling into evil associations and that companionship which would again lead them to evil ways. The short talks given by Mr. Miller at morning prayers are a great help in these matters, being practical and at the same time cheering to those endeavoring to do right. The addresses in the evening bring many to acknowledge their sorrow for the past and desire for a better life. The Superintendent's office is open for those desiring advice from 9 to 11 a. m. each morning and also before and after the meeting in the evening, and many avail themselves of the privilege of thus making the acquaintance and seeking the assistance so cheerfully given.

The gospel wagon will soon have done its work for the season, but it is expected the meetings will be continued in some place in the vicinity of Pope's Grove each afternoon during the winter.

The Sand Yard which has proved so great a help to the children and their parents especially the mothers of the vicinity, will be kept open as lon gas possible, and it is hoped some place can be provided where the little ones can come and enjoy themselves after the season closes.

The past season has been one of great satisfaction to all interested in the work of the Open Hearth and the good done cannot be estimated. Our citizens, generally, are feeling the importance of this institution and manifesting more and more their interest therein. The stronghold on their respect and confidence, which they exhibit in various ways towards the Open Hearth and its management, is gratifying and encouraging to the committee and to our superintendent.

The missionary's task is nothing short of world-building. His edifice is the new heavens and the new earth. The Gospel above can regenerate the world and reconstruct society.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

Thursday evening, Oct. 3rd, a lecture with 100 stereopticon views was given on Porto Rico, by Rev. J. H. Van Buren, at the Memorial Hall. A large number attended and they were well entertained. The Rev. Mr. Van Buren, who is a missionary sent by the Episcopal Church to Porto Rico, is thoroughly acquainted with his subject and gave his hearers a very good idea of the wants and conditions of tho island and its possibilities. The views were good and were carefully explained by the lecturer

The Daughters of the King and the Girls Friendly Society have resumed their meetings and have begun work for the new season .

The Men's League is to resume its meetings soon. Tuesday and Thursday evenings will be used as amusement nights, bowling, pool and billiard playing and a social time will be enjoyed each evening There will be a lecture or talk once a month.

The Sunday-school Rally on Sunday, Sept. 26th, brought out a goodly number of scholars and the service which was held in the afternoon at four o'clock was heartily rendered.

The rector hopes to increase this branch of the church work in the coming months.

A service beginning with Sunday' Oct. 13th, will be held each Sunday afternoon at four o'clock at the Church Home on Retreat Ave. It will be conducted by the Episcopal clergy of the city and all living in the vicinity are cordially invited to attend.

TRINITY CHURCH.

Rally Day was observed Sept. 29th, with a sevrice in the church, opened by a processional from the chapel, led by banner class number 13, Mrs. Wile, teacher. Addresses by the Rev. C. G. Bristol and our rector, Rev. Mr. Miel, roll call by classes, address and presentation of badges to "Roll of Honor" scholars, distribution of lesson leaflets and calendars constituted the service which closed with a recessional.

A telegram was received and read from Mr. Rees, who sent his best wishes from San Antonio, Texas.

This year we have had printed a calendar for the coming school year, October to June, inclusive, giving every chur h service, teachers' meeting, stereopticon talks, etc. These have been distributed to each member of the school, and should a scholar now be absent, a reference to the calendar will tell what the lesson for the following session is to be.

Teachers' meetings have been resumed on Thursday nights, and give promise of becoming very interesting and profitable. A series of subjects are to be assigned to different teachers who will prepare papers for the evenings. At the next meeting, Mr M. P. Walker will read a paper on "The Sunday-school and the Church," following the rector's instruction on the lesson in the leaflet.

New scholars have been added each session of the school since the reopening which is very gratifying, as most of these have been brought in by present scholars.

A sounding board has been put in the church over the pulpit, which is a great help to the congregation, which has found the church to be of poor acoustic properties in certain parts.

FARMINGTON AVENUE CONGREGATIONAL.

The Y. P. S. C. E. of this church gave a Young Men's Rally on a recent Sunday evening. A large number attended. The music was excellent and was greatly enjoyed. Numbers were rendered by a double quartette.

The pastor is away at present attending the Congregational Convention in Portland, Maine. With him is Rev. H. H. Potter and other local Congregational ministers.

On Wednesday afternoon and evening, October 31st, the Hartford Christian Endeavor Union will hold its annual meeting in our church.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN.

The annual meeting of the Young People's Association was held Tuesday evening, Sept. 24th. The officers elected were as follows: Pres., A. D. McKinnon; vice-pres., E. C. Down; secy., Miss Isabel Eadie; treas., Miss Lillian Sleeth; stewardess, Mrs. James McGeachie. The standing committees were appointed and plans made to carry on the work during the year. The society has received twenty new members since the first of May, and looks forward to a most successful year.

At the communion service held Sunday, Oct. 5th, twelve new members were received into the church, all on confession of faith except one. Twenty-five have united in the last two months, all on confession of faith, excepting three who came by letter. It is expected that as many more will unite during the coming month.

A new plan has been inaugurated for our evening services. Heretofore it has been the custom to hold the young people's meeting before the evening service. It was found that many who attended the first service absented themselves from the second, feeling that one meeting was sufficient, the plan now is to hold but one meeting to be in charge of the young people, with a twenty minute sermon by the pastor on the topic under consideration. This, it is felt, will make a happy combination of the two, resulting in as much good to the church and possibly more.

Rally service was observed by the Sunday-school Oct. 5th. A special exercise was presented by the school entitled, "The Nineteen Christian Centuries."

Our church is planning to celebrate its fiftieth anniversary on November 3rd and 4th. Members of the presbytery and leading Presbyterians of New York, as well as former members of the church who have removed to other places, will be invited, and it is expected that many of them will be able to be present. An interesting feature of the celebration will be the probable presence of the first pastor of the church, the Rev. Thomas Childs, D.D., of Washington, D. C. It is expected that the debt of the church will be all paid up by that time, and it will be an occasion of great rejoicing in the church.

CENTER CONGREGATIONAL.

The meetings of our various societies and organizations have recommenced. Mr. Talmadge, having returned from his vacation, is again in charge as superintendent of the Sunday-school.

In common with other Congregational churches, our society, and individual members, entertained delegates to the recent American Board meeting.

A new course of lectures which commenced in our Sunday-school October 6th, is designed to interest those who do not follow the regular lessons. There will be twelve informal lectures by Professor L. B. Paton on "The Composition and Origin of the Old Testament." Professor M. W. Jacobus follows with lectures on the New Testament and Professor Gillett closes with "The Basis of Christian Belief." This special class will meet immediately after the morning service Sunday. All are cordially invited to attend these lectures, throughout which, questions may be asked and gladly answered.

PARK CONGREGATIONAL.

The Sunday-school is fortunate in having elected Mr. H. Leonard Beadle as superintendent. On Friday evening, October 11th, at Mr. Beadle's home, a teacher's meeting was addressed by the pastor, Mr. Ranney, upon "The Ideal of the Sunday-school Teacher." It was practical and helpful. A period of discussion followed as to the method in teaching and the decision was made to have the meeting of the teachers once every two months, regularly. The attendance was excellent and all felt that a new zeal and enthusiasm had been gained.

On Thursday evening, October 17th, the meeting will be devoted to foreign missions, from the standpoint of Park church. Letters of interest have been received from our missionary, Dr. Fuller of Aintab, Turkey, and reports of the Council of the Forward Movement at Lake George, this summer, will be given by our delegates, Misses Lucy O. Hunt and Alice M. Wilcox.

The annual meeting of the Young Ladies' Mission Circle was held Friday, October 11th. The following officers were elected for the coming season: Pres., Mrs. C. H. Wiley; vice pres., Miss Marion H. Jones; sec., Mrs. H. W. Moore; treas., Miss Susan B. Very; chairman of work committee, Mrs. E. M. Stone.

The Christian Endeavor Society conducts very helpful meetings at the close of the Vesper Service on Sunday afternoons and the attendance is very regular.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, WEST HARTFORD.

Our new parsonage was completed before the first of September, and the pastor and his family are already occupying it. It is a handsome and commodious building and is modern in every detail. The entire first story is constructed of gray granite, similar to that of which the church is built, while the remaining stories are finished in wood.

On Sunday evening, September 15th, a union memorial service in honor of our late president was held in the auditorium, which was tastefully decorated with flags and black and white bunting. Rev. H. E. Hart presided and was assisted by others of our town ministers. Prof. Geer of the Theological Seminary delivered the address.

The mid-week prayer meeing, Thursday, September 19th, was devoted to the memory of President McKinley and was led by Rev. H. E. Hart.

Rev. and Mrs. Hodgdon spent the month of September at their cottage in Maine. Rev. H. E Hart and Rev. Mr. Higgins have occupied the pulpit on alternate Sundays during Mr. Hodgdon's absence.

On Sunday evening, September 22nd, Miss Grace Thayer, secretary of the Hartford C. E. Union, gave an interesting report of the international convention held at Cincinnati this summer.

Sunday, September 29th, was observed as Rally Day, and despite the bad weather, there was a good attendance. The exercises included an address of welcome to the pastor, in behalf of the school, by Clarence Scarborough, and an address by H.A. Camp of the North Methodist Sunday school, Hartford. In the evening a harvest concert was held.

The annual bazar was held this year with the usual good success. It opened on Wednesday, Oct. 3rd, and closed on the following evening. The booths were as tasteful in construction, the articles on sale as varied and as pretty as ever. The net proceeds are $598.68.

OLIVET BAPTIST.

On Sept.22nd, we had with us at our C. E. meeting, brother Thos. H. Day, formerly a member of our church. He gave us a very interesting talk concerning his work in the temperance cause.

On Oct. 4th, our ladies' "Evangeline Circle" gave their "Harvest Supper," realizing about thirty dollars.

Friday evening, Oct. 18th, our C.E. Society will hold a musical entertainment. Preparations are also being made for a very unique programme to be held in the near future.

We are looking forward to a most hopeful winter season in our church work.

WETHERSFIELD METHODIST.

Rally Day was observed in the Sunday-school Oct. 13th, a special musical programme being prepared for the occasion.

The proceeds from the supper given Friday evening, Oct. 11th, will go towards heating the church.

FIRST BAPTIST.

The pastor returned this week from his vacation.

The attendance in our Sunday-school for the four Sundays preceding Rally Day averaged 174, and on Rally Day, despite the rain, 344 were in attendance.

Our church was well represented at the meetings of the Hartford Baptist Association, held September 17th and 18th, at the Asylum Avenue Baptist church.

Our church has sustained an acute loss in the death of Hon. James G. Batterson. He has been connected with our work and interests for many years. His willingness to render advisory and pecuniary assistance whenever called upon has been of value beyond estimate.

The Hartford Baptist Union prayer meeting was held with us on Thursday evening, October 10th. Mr. L. C. Glazier lead in the absence of the pastor and the president, Mr. C. E. Prior.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER.

On Friday evening, Oct. 11th, a reception was given to our pastor, Dr. John Coleman Adams and Mrs. Adams, at the church. The vestry and church parlors were beautifully decorated with palms and flowers of the season. The receiving party stood in front of the desk, those assisting Dr. Adams and Mrs. Adams being, Mrs. C. F. Sedgwick, Mrs. Moses Mellen, Mrs. A. T. Ellis, Miss Bacon and Miss Bissell. The regular ushers of the church acted as ushers during the evening. In the parlors light refreshments were served by the young ladies of the church. The ladies presiding at the table were Mrs. Amos Whitney and Miss Belden.

The reception was given under the auspices of the Ladies' Benevolent Society and the Young Ladies' Benevolent Society.

Monday evening, Oct. 14th, the semi-annual business meeting of the Young People's Guild was held in the vestry. The usual business was transacted and officers for the next six months were elected, as follows: President, Clifford H. Belden; vice-pres., Harold Stillman; treas., Frank C. Champlin; recording secy., Miss Inez Fox; cor. secy., Ernest C. Day.

The annual convention of the Universalist church will be held during this month at Buffalo, N. Y. Delegates have been appointed from this society.

GLENWOOD CONGREGATIONAL.

Our former pastor, Rev. H. DeWitt Williams delivered the sermon Sunday evening Oct. 13th. In the morning we listened to Rev. Mr. Marsh of the Wethersfield Ave. church, with whom our pastor exchanged pulpits.

We are pleased to know that Miss Hyde, a pupil of Mr. Van Yorx is to assist our choir. We are very much in need of soprano singers in our choir and Miss Hyde will be of great assistance. We are also pleased to have Mr. Duncan officiate at the organ. He is a student at the Seminary and quite talented.

As mentioned in a previous issue, we are going to endeavor to make this winter season an attractive one in

our church and trust that all our members and friends will cooperate with all committees and make the season the most successful in our history.

We are pleased to announce that the new church manuals are ready and that all members will receive a copy.

Our annual meeting will be held on October 31st. Eery member should be present.

Our Junior C. E. meetings reopened for the fall season on October 6th. Mrs. Sexton feeling as though she could not take charge this year, Mr. MacGeehan will look out for the Juniors.

The election of officers for the Senior society resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Hastings; vice-president, Mrs. H. E. Williams; secretary and treasurer, Miss Read.

SOUTH CONGREGATIONAL.

Most of the branches of church work are once more in operation and we expect a season of more than usual activity.

The members of the church were surprised and pleased to learn that in the absence of the pastor, who had spent the day out of town on business, a gentleman had arisen in the American Board meeting Thursday evening, the 10th inst., and pledged a thousand dollars in the name of this church toward the reduction of the debt of the Board. The gentleman was Ex-Governor Bulkeley. Steps will be taken to make good the pledge before the expiration of the time specified.

The Young People's Society has set apart Sunday, Oct. 20th, for a Northfield meeting and interesting reports are expected from several members who have attended this years conferences.

SUFFIELD STREET BAPTIST.

A special program was arranged for "Rally Day," and the rally was a real success, there being 137 members, out of about 150, present at the rally.

The Sunday evening meetings have been exceptionally well attended of late, and we feel that good results come from the work there. The sermon on October 13th was especially interesting. Our brother, Mr. Owens, is very much appreciated. Mr Owens is the pastor at Wilson's.

The recently elected officers of the C. E. Society are as follows: President, Miss Inez J. Smith; vice-president, Miss May I. Marsh; recording secretary, Margaret M. Allardyce; corresponding secretary, Myrton T. Smith; treasurer, Miss Edena Marsh.

On Tuesday evening, Setember 24th, was held a sort of impromptu social, arranged by the new social committee. It was a very pleasant affair and quite a number of members and their friends turned out to enjoy the efforts of the committee. About fifty were present that evening. We are glad to see the committee taking hold of the work with such zeal. Let us all resolve to put every energy into this winter's work.

BLOOMFIELD METHODIST.

The Ladies' Aid Society met at the home of Mrs. George Nichols Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 25th. A ten cent supper was served from six to eight o'clock, which netted nearly $10. All present reported a good time.

September 22nd, the Epworth League devotional service was led by Miss Hattie Miller. The room was well filled and the meeting interesting. Certainly, Miss Miller took great care in preparing the topic, viz: "The Saloon Power Doomed," and treated it in a clear and vivid manner.

The ladies served an oyster supper in the church parlors Oct. 1st, from which they realized nearly $30. A party of young people from Hartford helped to enliven matters somewhat.

The election of officers of the League was held the first Friday evening of this month. The following were chosen: Pres., Miss Lena E. Mexcur; 1st vice-pres., Mrs. L. W. Dean; 2d vice.-pres., Mrs. H. S. Scarborough; 3rd vice-pres., Walter Loveland; treas, Chas. Rathbun; secy., Miss A. Goodwin; ch. of missionary com., Mrs. H. S. Scarborough. After the business of the evening had been transacted a social time was passed.

Rev. H. S. Scarborugh entertained his Sunday-schoool class at his home Friday evening. A very pleasant time was spent by all playing games, etc. Refreshments were served.

Presiding Elder Adams held the third quarterly conference meeting Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

The first Sunday of this month was observed by the Sunday-school as Rally Day." Nearly all of the members of the school wee present and responded to the roll-call. After the opening exercises, the supt., Wilbur F. Granger, had arranged for four of the older members of the school to speak on special subjects appropriate to the occasion.

An interesting report of the work of the Home Dep't, during the past year, was read by one of the visitors. The room was tastefully decorated with golden rod and other flowers by the members of Mrs. Scarborouugh's class.

Quite a number of our members have visited the Pan-American exposition, among them Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Filley, Mr. A. N. Filley, Misses Harriet Bidwell and Hattie Miller, and the Messrs. Wilbur F. Granger, O. Dwight Filley, Claude Freeman, and Wm. Clements.

Rev. and Mrs. Scarborough have been granted a two weeks leave of absence, therefore the Baptists have kindly invited the congregation to unite with them the last two Sundays of this month.

NEW BRITAIN AVE. MISSION.

Work at the Mission is now going on in earnest, all the meetings being held regularly with a fair attendance.

The resignation of Miss May Bert as secretary of Sunday-school, has necessitated some few changes. Miss Gage, the asst. secy., has taken her place, while Clarence House has been appointed asst. secy.

The first entertainment of the season was given on the 3rd inst., when the Loving Circle of King's Daughters held a rubber social. As a result they were able to present to the Sunday-school $10. "Rubber" was the pass-word and rubber was the price of admission with ice cream, which came later. Violin and piano duets by Miss Alice Agard and Mr. Merton, with recitations by Mr. and Miss Buths, interspersed with games, were prominent features.

A trio violin, cornet and piano, under the direction of Miss Alice Agard is an addition to this season's evening meetings.

The Sunday-school is much indebted to Mr. Swift of the Retreat, for three maps which will greatly aid in the work of the school.

Since the Sunday evening service has been resumed we have had some interesting addresses by Rev. W. W. Ranney, City Missionary H. J. Gillette, Rev. C. E. Tullar, Mr. Raymond and Mr. C. G. Fisher of the Seminary.

Mr. Fisher has recently returned from a summer's charge at St. Johnsbury Center, Vt., and we were all pleased to see him.

ST. JAMES CHURCH.

The Girl's Friendly Society gave an attractive party last week. They are now discussing an embroidery class.

St. Mary's Guild are very busy preparing for an entertainment which they hope to give soon.

The rector's reception is announced for Thursday evening, October 17th. All members of the parish and friends are invited.

The parish room has been renovated during the summer and now looks very neat and attractive.

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AMERICAN BOARD MEETINGS.

From the opening of the meetings of the American Board in this city by President Capen, to the closing benediction by Dr. Pratt, the sessions were marked by a spirit of consecrated enthusiasm.

The committee of arrangements had done their preliminary work thoroughly, and the programme, as arranged, was well carried out. It was no light task for the committee in charge, and great credit is due to its members for their thorough and systematic work.

It was the ninety-second annual meeting of the Board and its eighth meeting in this city, and at its close was pronounce by President Capen to be "the greatset meeting in the history of the board." Certainly its influence must be far reaching and for a long time particularly felt in our own midst.

As never before, perhaps, since Apostolic times, missionary zeal is linked indissolubly with the vitality of Christianity. Churches which are actively supporting missionary enterprises may be depended to turn out the best home product in Christian work, and those churches, which happily are few, which are lukewarm in their missionary zeal, are more than likely to be losing ground all along the line of church progress and spiritual life.

So these great annual missionary gatherings of the Congregationalists, as well as similar great gatherings among other denominations, are doing more, perhaps, than any other agency, to vitalize the Christian churches at home.

And abroad, the missionary carries the word which brings salvation to all men; dispels the ignorance and superstition of centuries; introduces the benefits of modern civilization and counteracts to a large degree, its evils; cures men's bodies of disease as well as their minds of error; hastens the millenium when every nation shall acknowledge the Kingship of Jesus Christ, and every man the brotherhood of every other man.

The American Board was established to direct and support the work of missionaries, and since its first meeting in 1810, down to the present time, has had a career of incalculable importance and almost universal extent.

The details of the meetings here have been fully reported in the daily press, and for all who could not attend the sessions, the reading of its reports was a privilege.

In his closing address President Capen said, 'The ninety-second annual meeting which is now closing will be remembered, I believe, as the greatest we have ever held. We met under an awful shadow, caused by our intense fear for the safety of our beloved Miss Ellen M. Stone, still in the hands of the brigands. This has given tenderness and sympathy throughout all our sessions. Above all, God has been here with peculiar power. The earnestness, the seriousness of the hour, becauuse of the greatness of the opportunity, has seemed to be inspired by the Holy Spirit. Last night we saw, perhaps as never before, God's power, when He came and, by a series of peculiar providences, having to do with many minds, of men widely scattered, led to the payment of our debt. It was a wonderful scene which can never be effaced in the memory of those who were permitted to be present.

God has been here speaking to us and I believe it means a new day for the American Board. We have entered the new century with the debt cleared away and ready under God's leadership for larger things in missions. . .

Is it not glorious that we could pay this debt here in old Hartford, so dearly beloved because it had so much to do with the early history of the board, and because it was the last home of dear Dr. Lamson? If he could speak to us now how that cheery voice of his would summon us all to the larger meaning of Christian service. We have been glad to have so many missionaries with us who have thrilled us with their messages. We love you for what you are and for the work you are doing as our representatives in Christ's name. As some of you are so soon to return to your work, remember that we shall follow you with our prayers and support as never before. God bless you all!

Again, Mr. Chairman, let me thank your committee and all in these churches whom you represent for all their gracious service. May you in all your lives, your homes, and your churches receive a rich blessing from the Master in whose name you have done so much to make this occasion such a splendid success and worthy of this old and honored board."

"The missionary of whatever church or ecclesiastical body, who devotes his life to the service of the Master and of men, carrying the torch of truth and enlightenment, deserves the gratitude, the support, and the homage of mankind."—Wm. McKinley.

BOARD DEBT RAISED.

The American Board set a fine example for other debt-encumbered mission boards, by raising a debt of $102,000, and $5,000 to spare, in two hours. President Capen had just delivered his annual address on "A Million Dollars for Foreign Missions," when the Rev. Dr. S. Parkes Cadman, of Brooklyn, initiated a movement for the liquidation of the debt of $102,000 resting upon the Board. An unconditional gift of $48,000 had been recently received by the Board, which the Prudential Committee said could be applied to the debt. After this assurance, the thousands came in rapidly, and the sum of $25,000 was subscribed in one lump on condition that the full amount be pledged. At the expiration of two hours President Capen made the gratifying announcemen that every dollar of the debt had been wiped out, which was greeted with the singing of the Doxology.

"Surely this of all times is not the time to disbelieve in forcign missions; surely he who despairs of the power of the Gospel to convert the world to-day, despairs of the noontide just when the sun is breaking out of the twilight on the earth."—Phillips Brooks.

MISS STONE'S ABDUCTION.

The fate of Miss Ellen M. Stone, the abducted American missionary, is still undecided, but doubtless all that is possible is being done for her rescue. The secretary of the United States legation in Constantinople has been advised from Washington that a sufficient sum of money for the ransom would be forthcoming. United States Consul General Dickinson, who fears

that a dangerous precedent would be created by the payment of the ransom is fully convinced that the brigands were merely instruments acting under the instigation of late members of the Macedonian Committee, and has made strong representations to the Bulgarian Government, asking the arrest of these instigators. Should this be done, he says, Miss Stone would doubtless be released on payment of a moderate indemnity and assurance of freedom for her captors.

"The outlook from this mount of vision is into years in which there will be missionary progress of amazing rapidity. The foundation has been prepared; the first courses have been laid. Now the mighty structure of the World Kingdom of Christ will go up." —Rev. H. H. Kelsey.

As cold weather approaches, there is nothing pleasing in the fact that the anthracite coal trust sells coal to Canadian consumers at $1 a ton less than it supplies the same to United States consumers. Congress should take a hand.

In connection with the American Board meetings an artistic and valuable Souvenir Programme was published, Mr. Charles Dexter Allen being editor. Rev. Williston Walker, D. D., contributed an article on "Hartford in History" and Rev. William De Loss Love an article on "Hartford of To-day." The pamphlet contains other interesting articles, and many fine half tone views of Hartford and vicinity. It is on sale at book stores.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

Dec. 9, 1901.

Intense interest in Washington this week centers in the welfare of Miss Ellen M. Stone and the prospect of her rescue from the Bulgarian brigands who hold her in captivity. It is authoritatively stated that her captors are Christians, although of a low order, and that her abduction was a political move and not the result of animosity to the religion, to the spread of which she was devoting her life. From these facts it is hoped, though none too confidently, that apart from the mental strain, she may not be suffering in her captivity.

On Saturday last Dr. Samuel H. Capen, president of the American Board of Missions, and Dr. Judson Smith, foreign secretary of that board, called on President Roosevelt at the White House. The President immediately sent for acting secretary of State Adee and the party conferred for upwards of an hour. After leaving the President, the reverend gentlemen stated that, while it was necessary to keep the intentions of the State Department secret, they were much gratified at the interest Mr. Roosevelt had displayed and they believed his earnestness would make itself felt in the efforts which were being put forth by the State Department.

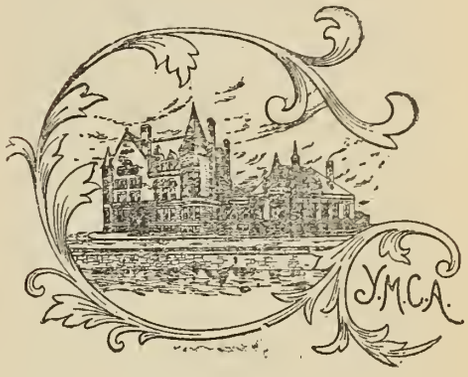
As a result of the conference it was determined to immediately start a subscription to raise the amount demanded. The State Department has no funds with which it can pay the ransom but should it by diplomatic means, find it possible to recover the amount paid, it will prove a source of gratification.

There have been some excellent logical arguments advanced against paying a ransom, the principal objection being that it would establish a precedent and might lead to further kidnapping, but this seems to be a case where charity should supercede logic. A fellow creature, a woman and one who has devoted her life to the carrying of the Gospel even to the uttermost parts of the earth is in the power of the ruthless and unprincipled barbarians; $110,000 is required for her release, possibly to save her life. Already nearly $50,000 has been raised, $35,000 of which has been forwarded to the State Department for transmission to United States Consul Dickenson who has already gone to Sofia to treat with Miss Stone's captors. The latest advices from Sofia announce that the time designated for payment of the ransom has been extended one month.

The excellent example in the matter of church-going which President Roosevelt and his family set to the nation is most edifying. On Sunday last every member of the family now in Washington attended divine service. Mr. Roosevelt, as usual, worshiped at the little Grace Reformed Chapel in company with his daughter Ethel. After service, Rev. Mr. Schlick tells your correspondent, the President stated that it would give him pleasure to meet the members of the General Synod of the Reformed Church, which is to meet in Baltimore next month, and Mr. Schlick tells me that he believes that on adjournment, the Synod will come to Washington in a body to pay their respects at the White House.

Mrs. Roosevelt has assumed possession of the "Presidential" pew in old St. John's, the Episcopal church just across Lafayette Square from the White House. This pew has not been occupied by a President since President Arthur left the White House, and now, as the genial pastor remarked Sunday, "It is only occupied by a President's better half." Mrs. Roosevelt and her son Kermit, occupied the pew on Sunday morning.

It is said to be a source of regret to both the President and Mrs. Roosevelt that in their religious belief they are not of one mind, but they have chosen denominations with clearly defined doctrines and widely differing creeds and, as they are both somewhat remarkable for the strength of their convictions on all subjects, there is little likelihood of their ever becoming members of the same religious society.



Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The winter work is opening up with much interest. In the Boys' Department there is very marked activity. The rooms under new management were opened September 15th. Since that time upwards of 100 new members have been received into that department. It is the aim of the Association to have at least 500 boys enrolled within the present Association year, and active work to that end is being pushed. In the Religious Department the management is hoping for a renewed interest and increased work. The Bible Study Classes commenced work October 1st. Three classes are now in operation with an enrollment of 30. One additional class will be organized from among the students of the evening classes of Hillyer Institute about Nov. 1st.

Sunday afternoon meetings for men will be held in the New Hartford Opera House beginning the first Sunday in November. Among the men secured for speakers are Rev. Roland D. Grant of British Columbia, S. M. Sayford of Boston, Joseph Schubert of Philadelphia, Commander A. V. Wadhams of the Unied States Navy, Rev. C. H. Mead D. D., of New York City and Frank L. Smith, Secretary of the Naval Branch of Brooklyn.

The Hillyer Institute classes will begin work the 14th of this month and a large enrollment is looked for. Provision has been made in the building for an increased number of students and the following new studies have been added to the curriculum—shorthand, vocal music, typewriting, cam-

era club, debating society, etc. New quarters have been provided for the classes in forging and plumbing, which will give these two classes decidedly better places in which to work.

In the Physical Department the work is in full swing. On the opening night there were 67 young men in line on the gymnasium floor. During this coming winter there will be 17 classes per week in physical culture conducted by our Physical Director.

The entertainment course had a most auspicious opening Monday, September 30th, when Unity Hall was well filled with members and friends of the Association. The course includes a series of eleven very fine entertainments all of which are to be given in Unity Hall.

The Social work of the Association is receiving attention from the Reception Committee and a series of informal Saturday evening socials is being planned.

ADDITIONAL CHURCHES.

SOUTH BAPTIST.

The church has again resumed its regular routine work, we trust with added strength and zeal.

The annual re-union and roll-call will be held Thursday evening, October 24th, in the chapel. Supper will be served at 6:30, after which there will be reports read regarding all the different departments of work.

The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was held in the church parlor, Friday afternoon, Sept. 11th, with a fairly good attendance. Still there is room for improvement along this line of work.

The King's Daughter's Circle will meet with Mrs. Dixon, the leader, No. 28 Capitol Ave., Wednesday evening, Sept. 16th. Our meetings are usually well attended, and very profitable. The work done from time to time is of a varied nature, but all helpful in one way and another.

If any of the other circles have articles of worn out clothing, or wearing apparel of any description that could be used again, or anything that could be repaired and made use of, they cannot do better than send them to theter for lhe o.6SWomen, atN 7 Temple street, care of Miss M. J. Halstead, as they have a second-hand clothing bureau, which has proved very successful so far.

BLOOMFIELD CONGREGATIONAL

Rev. Mark Williams of Kalgan, China, occupied the pulpit Oct. 13th. Owing to the storm the audience was small, but it was certainly much interested in the recital by Mr. Williams of his escape from the Boxers across the Gobi desert to Siberia. Mr. Williams expects to return to his work at Kalgan next Spring. He has been in North China for thirty-five years and this is his third visit to his home land.

Thirteen from the church drove over to Simsbury, Sept. 29th, to attend the meeting of the Northwest section of the Hartford Union of Christian Endeavorers. More would have gone had the weather been more favorable.

Two young persons were admitted to the Endeavor Society as active members at the consecration meeting Sunday evening, Oct. 6th.

Mrs. E. R. Wood and her cousin Mrs. Wells, have been making a very brief visit at the Exposition in Buffalo. Mrs. Wood also went to Jamestown, N. Y., to spend a few days with Dr. Henry Gray, who, for so many years, resided here. Many of the beautiful maples and elms about the church and in the center of the village, were planted by Dr. Gray who took the most hearty and practical interest in everything about the church and the town.

Rev. and Mrs. E. H. Jenkyns, who, some time ago, went to Bermuda, are at present with one of their sons in Boston. Mr. Jenkyns was for two years pastor of this church and his daughter, the wife of F. C. Bidwell, resides here now.

Nearly $25 was realized by the ladies at the lawn social at Burnham Wildwood, Sept. 28th.

Through the efforts of the Ladies' Benevolent Society, a Kelsey hot-air generator has been placed in the parsonage. It is not expected that our pastor and his family will suffer from the cold this winter, at least while they are in the house. The ladies have also taken it in hand to paper three rooms in the parsonage and do some other needed work.

The church fair occurs on Thursday and Friday, Oct. 24th and 25th. The musical and literary entertainment will be given Friday evening.

An exercise by the Sunday-school will take the place of the regular morning service Oct. 27th. The intention is to have it as a sort of rally day also.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

We had another welcome visit from our pastor's father, Rev. G. L. Teeple, Oct. 6th. who gave us our sermon in the evening.

News has come to us of the death of another of our number, Mr. Geo. W. Gillespie died in San Jose, Cal., Sept. 30th, whither he had gone on account of failing health. Two winters in Folrida had failed to restore him, and at last California was sought, but too late. He had not been able to attend church for many months. Our ranks are continually being depleted, but new ones are coming in. Three new members were taken into the church Oct. 6th.

ST. PAUL'S METHODIST EPISCOPAL.

The pastor, Rev. Wm. M. Carr, and the members of St. Paul's church, instituted a series of special Evangelistic services on Sunday, Oct. 13th. In spite of the rain there was a good attendance, a number of earnest requests for prayer and at least one conversion at the very first evening service. The meetings will continue for three weeks. The Rev. James Tregaskis, of the New England Southern Conference, will assist the pastor for two weeks beginning with Sunday, Oct. 20th.

Mr. W. F. Hilton spoke very effectively on Monday evening, Oct. 14th, and the Rev. E. S. Ferry, pastor of the South Park Methodist Episcopal church on Wednesday eveing, Oct. 16th. Valued and permanent benefits are expected, and earnestly prayed for, by our people as the resultant of these meetings.

Mrs. Sarah E. Young of West Hartford has charge of our Tuesday evening Children's Class at present.

The Sunday-school Rally Day exercises were observed on Sunday, Oct. 13th. The Sunday-school room was appropriately decorated and two excellently prepared essays were read on "Rob't Raikes," by Mr. Percy Shoemaker and "The Old-Fashioned Sunday-school," by Mrs. A. M. Adair, also a recitation by Kittie Mayo, and members of the Infant Department and an address by the superintendent, Mr. Frank H. Turner.

WARBURTON CHAPEL.

Our Rally Day was celebrated by the Sunday-school on Oct. 13th, which proved a stormy Sunday. The work of the school was as usual, except for the last twenty minutes of the hour when all the departments assembled in the large room for the special exercises of the day. The decorations of autumn leaves and flowers, with drapings across the platform and around the room, of bitter sweet vines and berries, helped much to brighten the occasion.

In the evening a Sunday-school concert was held with an illustrated talk upon the commandments. These concerts will be given once in two months throughout the coming season.

The regular meeting for Sunday evenings will be held as in the past.

The teachers' weekly meetings

opened for this season on the evening of Oct. 1st. Owing to the American Board meetings the meeting of the teachers was omitted Oct. 8th. The plan followed last year in the teachers' meetings will be continued, using one week for a review of two lessons, and the following week for some special subject, or speaker. Our Penny Provident Bank continues to be used as it has for many years, ten o'clock Saturday morning being the banking hour.

Work with the boys clubs begins this week and the mother's meeting on Thursday will be the first for this season.

During the past month ten new scholars have joined the Sunday-school The same number of former scholars have returned and four new teachers have been added to our force.

BLUE HILLS CHAPEL.

During August the Sunday-school adjourned its sessions, which were resumed the second Sunday in September, with an increased attendance of both scholars and teachers.

The picnic held on the lawn in front of the chapel September 7th, was largely attended and proved an interesting occasion to old and young.

Mr. Meserve has been preaching helpful and earnest sermons Sunday evenings through the summer, during the absence of Mr. Gaylord and Mr. Hawkes, who have returned to their studies at the Seminary and their work here. Apparently there is a renewed interest in the evening services, the Endeavor society and the Sunday-school, and we are encouraged to expect a year of usefulness in this corner of the Master's vineyard.

FIRST METHODIST.

The Epworth League is planning for a great deal of work the coming winter in the line of entertainments and literary work. Nothing special has developed as yet.

We are glad to congratulate our new brides and to welcome them to our membership.

We were glad to see our Sunday-school superintendent, Mr. W. H. Newell, in his place on our Rally Day. Although it was a rainy day there was a large number present.

Next month the Queen Esther's will be able to give a report on their work.

GRACE CHURCH, WINDSOR.

During the absence of the rector, Mr. Harriman, the service is conducted by the Rev. Dr. Kinsman, professor of Berkeley Divinity School, Middletown, Conn.

MEMORIAL BAPTIST.

Sunday, Oct. 14th, was observed as Rally Day by the Bible school. Special exercises took the place of the regular session of the school. About twenty five children were promoted from the Primary department.

The B. Y. P. U. meeting on the same day was led by Mr. Gillette of the Fourth Church. We always enjoy having Mr. Gillette with us. On Oct. 20th, the meeting will be led by Mr. B. N. B. Miller, and by Mr. Jacks of the Y. M. C. A. on Oct. 27th. On Friday evening, Oct. 18th, the B. Y. P .U. will hold a prayer meeting at the Old People's Home. This is the first of series of cottage prayer meetings to be held during the fall.

WETHERSFIELD BAPTIST.

Our church sent delegates to the Association and Convention which have been held this month. These meetings help and encourage the members.

Our pastor has been doing evangelistic work the two past weeks.

Brother Wright of Hartford, preached for us last Sunday.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, EAST HARTFORD.

The annual meeting of the Endeavor Society began with a supper, followed by toasts, Rev. W. B. Tuthill, toastmaster. "Our Church" was responded to by H. D. Olmsted, "The Juniors" by Miss Recor, "Social Endeavors" by James Johnston, "The Ladies" by C. H. Olmsted, "The Gentlemen" by Miss Jessie S. Goodwin and "Our Society" by Pres. Geo. Goodwin. After supper the reports were read and Pres. Goodwin was re-elected. It was one of the most successful affairs the society has held in a long time.

Three new active members joined the Endeavor Society this month.

FOURTH CONGREGATIONAL.

Now that the vacation season is over the work is rapidly getting under way and the outlook is for a good year. At the communion in September a large number were present. The Sunday-school, which kept up its sessions throughout the summer, observed Rally Day September 29th, and in spite of stormy weather had a very good attendance. The entire school assembled in the auditorium and each department had a share in the general exercises which were held. A roll-call and souvenir badges were prominent and pleasant features in the program.

Mr. Gillette, the city missionary, has charge of the men's meetings again, which are held every Sunday morning at ten and every Tuesday evening at seven forty-five. Several have already been helped by these meetings.

The Christian Endeavor socicties have returned to the usual hours of meeting. One of the interesting meetings of the intermediate society, was held just before the meetings of the American Board and had for its subject, "The American Board." The senior society holds a "Salmagundi" party Friday evening, October 18th.

The mothers meetings have been resumed and have a very interesting program for the year, as follows: Sept 25th, "The Ministry to the child"; Oct. 30th, "Home Occupations for Little Children," Miss Gillette; Nov. 27h, "Thanksgiving Prayer Meeting," Mrs. Owen; Jan. 22nd, "Sacred Melodies and Child Thoughts," Mrs. Ferry; Feb. 26th, "Need of Good Conversation and Good Temper in the School," Mrs. Gillette; Mar. 26th, "How the Home may help the School," Mr. Gordy; April 23rd, "Home Influence," Mrs. H. Howe; May 28th, "Mission Band," Mrs. Kelsey; June 25th, "The Relation of Foods and Nutrition to Character," Miss Dougherty. Miss Dougherty, the new visitor, also gives at each meeting a review of the Sunday-school lesson for the month. These meetings are held on the Fourth Wednesdays in each month.

During the last month there has been distributed, throughout a considerable section of the city, a neat folder containing important information in regard to the work of the church. Special Sunday evening services have been arranged for the months of October and November as is indicated by these folders. The theme of these services is "The Man Christ Jesus." Of the two services thus far held in October, the first was a musical service devoted to the works of Mendelssohn, which was attended by a large number. October 13th, Rev. Robert Nourse preached upon the subject, "Practising the presence of God."

During the meetings of the American Board the regular services at the church were given up. Many attended the meetings held in Parson's theatre. At the children's meeting, held in the church Thursday afternoon, the auditorium was filled. There were representatives from the Congregational Sunday-schools of the city, and vicinity, together with a large number of visitors and teachers. Addresses were made by four missionaries.

Music occupies a considerable place in the work of our church. Organ recitals are given from time to time and musical srevices are held regularly. These organ concerts are to be given by

Mr. Benedict, assisted by Miss Weir. These are to be given upon Wednesday evenings, October 23rd, November 20th, and December 11th. An interesting program has been arranged and these concerts deserve a large patronage.

THE SALVATION ARMY.

Public services are held at the Salvation Army hall, which is located at No. 33 Spruce street, every evening at eight o'clock, with the exceptions of Monday evenings. The work has been progressing very nicely for the past year and quite a number of persons have professed conversion during that time as the results of our labors.

SOUTH PARK METHODIST.

At a meeting for the re-organization of our Young People's Society as Epworth League, held Friday, October 11th, the following officers were elected: President, Philip H. Ober; 1st vice-pres., Louis E. Day; 2nd vice-pres., Mrs. Calkins; 3rd vice pres., H. E. Thatcher; 4th vice pres., May L. Jackson; secretary, Hattie Morris; treasurer, Robert S. McGee; superintendent of Junior work, Mrs. E. S. Ferry. These officers were installed at the Sunday evening service, October 13th.

Rally Day was observed in the Sunday-school on Sunday, October 6th. There was a large attendance and an interesting program was carried out.

The Ladies' Aid Society is to hold a "Rummage Sale" the week beginning October 21st.

WETHERSFIELD AVE. CONGREGATIONAL.

The building committee is pushing the addition to the church as rapidly as possible and the increased space given will be much appreciated when it is ready for occupancy. When all the improvements are completed we hope to have the church in a much more satisfactory and desirable condition. While the lecture room is being enlarged the church is used for Christian Endeavor and prayer meetings.

Miss Tillie Barchfield and Mr. A. H. Mann were married at the home of the bride. They were the recipients of many useful and valuable presents.

Mr. and Mrs. William Porter celebrated their fiftieth anniversary. A large number of friends and neighbors were present to offer congraulations. They were also remembered by a good many substantial presents.

Mrs. R. H. Noble and son are in the country for a few weeks.

Two of our members were hurt on bicycles the past week. Miss May Parker, who slipped on the wet pavement injuring her knee badly, is out again. Miss Bessie Noble had a collision with another bicyclist injuring her head quite seriously, and is confined to the bed as a result.

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

HARTFORD CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR UNION.

The Union meets Wednesday afternoon and evening, October 31st, in the Farmington Avenue Congregationa church, for its annual business meeting. It is expected that Mr. Edermann, Field Secretary of the National Christian Endeavor Union, will address us, also that Rev. E. F. Talmadge will speak. New officers will be elected and other business transacted. A collation will be served between the afternoon and evening sessions.

The directors' meeting, in preparation for the annual meeting, was held Tuesday, October 8th, in the Y. M. C. A. building on Pearl street.

Oct. 20.—A Bad Bargain. Gen. 25: 29-34.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

Jacob was as ignoble as Esau; the one for selling his birthright, and the other for taking advantage of his brother's need.

Better not live at all than live without our true heritage.

By worldliness, a Christian barters his birthright to rebuke sin.

It is more profitable to die honorably than to live dishonorably.

Every soul has some possessions beyond price.

Esau had not learned to master his appetite; therefore his appetite mastered him.

One man's necessity is another man's opportunity—for magnanimity.

Oct. 27.—Bible-reading and Church Loyalty: "I will make it the rule of my life to read the Bible everyday and to support my own church in every way." 2 Tim. 3:1-17; 1 Thes. 5:12 13.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

The word loved, the Word lived.

The word in the heart drives wrong from the heart.

We need God's word to guide us in God's way.

The word eaten, the world beaten.

We cannot know God's will if we neglect his word.

The Spirit works through the word.

The best work for Christ's cause can be done through Christ's Church.

We are disloyal to Christian Endeavor when we are not loyal to our church.

November 3.—God's Leading in our Lives Ps. 23.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

When God guides, life is good.

There cannot be leading without following.

Gods' help is man's hope.

Nothing "happens" to God's friends.

Wherever God leads, there may be found green pastures.

The highest profit may be in the lowest place.

God is always true to our trust.

The weakest sheep have the most care.

The shepherd's rod is not for the hurt of the sheep, but for their help.

God's guidance is full of glad surprises.

Night never overtakes those who travel with the Light.

November 10.—Our National Bondage. Hab. 1:13-17; Amos 6:1-6.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

Strong drink makes weak men.

It is to be feared that more ruin than righteousness follows the flag in the East.

Manhood is a greater political issue than metal.

The debauching of its subjects smirches the flag.

Rum spells ruin for a man or a nation.

Sober citizens save the state.

SOME SIGNS OF SLAVERY.

Our nation is in bondage—

Because thousands of citizens are slaves of drink.

Because its office bearers are afraid of the liquor power.

Because money-making is put above character-making.

Because it is not free to cast off strong drink's thrall.

Because the liquor power exercises control of national politics.

Because it dare not succor, at any cost, the women and children who suffer from strong drink's ravages.

Because its people yield themselves subject to the machinations of corrupt politicians.

Because we obey man rather than God.

Because we are not willing to be made free by truth.

STATE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVORERS.

The annual convention of the Y. P S. C. E. of Connecticut will be held at Danbury on October 25, 26 and 27. The address of welcome will be given by Rev. A. C. Hubbard, pastor of the First Baptist Church, and the response for the state union will be delivered by Rev. H. S. Davis, Hancock, Mass., Rev. H. A. Davenport, Bridgeport and Rev. Harry E Burns, New Haven. In the evening of the first day's session, the sermon will be deliv by Rev. George H. Ferris of New Haven.

The several executive reports will be presented at the morning session on Saturday, with the annual address of the president. Officers will also be elected. Committee conferences will be held in the afternoon, at which Myrton T. Smith of this city will lead the discussion on "Secretaries." An address will be delivered at 4 o'clock by Rev. Dr. Frank P. Stoddard of Brooklyn, N. Y. In the evening an address will be delivered by Rev. C. E. Eberman of Boston. On Sunday there will be services in the afternoon and evening with an address in the evening by Rev. C. E. Eberman, field secretary of the United Society. The meetings will be held in the First Congregational Church.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR BULLETIN.

A splendid library was recently installed in the county jail at Joliet, Ill., by the Young People's Union. Each society in the union takes turns in holding services there.

Glowing testimonies to the helpfulness of Christian Endeavor come from Baptist missionaries in India. Rev. W. E. Hopkins, of Secunderaband says in his report to the American Baptist Union: "Perhaps the most conspicuous feature of the year's work in this station belongs to the Christian Endeavor society. . . . The chief work has been along the lines of prayer, consecration and Bible study. The boys and young men have aided our evangelists in street preaching by their singing and speaking. The girls and women have gone out with the Bible women, in charge of the matron, and rendered most excellent service."

President H. B. MacFarland, of the District commissioners of the District of Columbia, is an earnest Endeavorer, and presided over a recent Endeavor mass-meeting in Washington.

Dr. Clark's fiftieth birthday was celebrated on September 12th by a sur-

prise party of Endeavorers that thronged his home. The Endeavorers from the office presented a travelling bag, the Aburndale Endeavorers a portfolio, the Newton union a set of books, and Secretary Baer a bound volume of congratulatory letters from all parts of the world.

WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

The annual meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held Tuesday afternoon, Oct. 1st. The County Banner which is awarded each year to the union making the largest gain, was presented to Hartford Union by the New Britain Union. Mrs. Atkinson, president of New Britain Union, made the presentation speech in a very graceful manner, and Mrs. Forbes responded. A large delegation from New Britain was present. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. C. B. Forbes; vice-presidents, Mrs. J. H. Spencer, Mrs. B. M. Parsons; recording secretary, Mrs. A. D. Cross; corresponding secretary, Mrs. H. K. Lee; treasurer, Mrs. J. H. Spencer. After the meeting was adjourned tea was served. There was a larger attendance than usual

CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY.

Tuesday afternoon, Oct. 15th, Mrs. Virginia T. Smith, the president, reported on the summer work of the society and other reports were read. The following officers were re-elected for the coming year:

Honorary president, Mrs. Betsey M. Parsons; president, Mrs. Virginia T. Smith; vice-presidents Mrs. Isabella Beecher Hooker, Mrs. Isabella V. Crosby; corresponding secretary Miss Grace Loomis; recording secretary Miss Josephine M. Griswold; treasurer, Mrs. J. S. Hunter; executive committee, Mrs. Elizabeth G. Warner, Mrs. J. M. Allen, Miss Lucy Brainard, Mrs. B. M. Parsons, Mrs. Richard Seymour.

Committee on visitation of Children, Mrs. John A. Crilly, Mrs. J. H. Waterman Mrs. Freeman Seymour; committee on care of sewing, Mrs. A. E. Warriner; assistants to the treasurer, Miss Daisy Stevens, Miss Etta Patterson; committee on dues and fines Mrs. A. S. Cressy, Mrs. Stephen Maslen.

The annual meeting of the Connecticut Children's Aid Society will be held at the home for Incurable Children, Newington, Wednesday, October 30, and the members of the Hartford Branch are already making preparations for it. The reports will be read in the chapel of the Congregational church in the forenoon and a collation will be served. Ground will be broken for a new building near the present home building in the afternoon and there will be addresses by Rev. John T. Huntington, president of the state society, and it is expected, by George L. Chase and George H. Warner, vice-presidents. Mrs. V. T. Smith is the secretary of the state society and will read her annual report. There are now forty children at the Home and room must be provided for several more. The new building will accommodate thirty-five more children.

SHELTER FOR WOMEN

The summer days passed very quickly, bringing blessings to many hearts in the Home.

There were from fifteen to eighteen in our Home all through the summer months.

We were kindly remembered in many ways by friends. Through the kindness of the Courant Fresh Air Fund we were given a most enjoyable day at Rainbow Park.

Miss Halstead, who has faithfully performed the duties as Matron of the Home for nine years, after a rest through the summer returned to us the first of September, taking up again the work she so much loves.

Our services through the summer were conducted by different ministers in the city, among whom were Dr. Stone, Mr. Pattison, Mr. Connell, and others. Mr. Jennison and family have returned to their home in Wethersfield. Mr. Jennison, whose consecrated Christian life has been of such blessing in our Sabbath afternoon services, is again in charge. Through the kindness of a friend our Home is supplied with new hymn books.

We were very pleasantly surprised one evening by the Queen Esther Circle of King's Daughters of the First Methodist church coming and spreading our table with a very bountiful supper, which was very much enjoyed by all.

On the 3rd of October the ladies of the committee gave a reception to the many friends who have so generously given of their prayers, money and donations to the support of the Home.

During the month of Septembe eighteen women went out to places.

Our Clothing Bureau is a very important feature of our work, and any one having packages can notify us by postal-card or telephone. Telephone number, 1026-5.

We feel the Lord is dealing very graciously and blessing many hearts in time and eternity.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETINGS.

One of the Conferences to be Held Here Wednesday, November 13.

Arrangements have been made for a series of pastors', superintendents', and teachers' conferences to be held during the week begining November 11th, under the auspices of the Connecticut Sunday-school Association, to the following places: Norwalk' Monday, November 11; Torrington, Tuesday; Hartford, Wednesday; New Haven, Thursday; Norwich, Friday. Half-fare return certificates will be issued at each conference on all lines of the "Consolidated" road.

The following speakers will be present: Rev. H. A. Bomberger, Temple College, Philadelphia; Miss Lucy G. Stock, formerly state primary superintendent; H .H. Spooner, assistant secretary C. T. U.; Rev. W. S. McIntyre, chairman state normal committee, New London; Miss Harriet E. Walden, state home department superintendent; Rev. H. A. Davenport, Bridgeport; Rev. Langley B. Sears, Groton Heights, and other pastors and workers in the state.

The program will be arranged along lines suggested by the qeustion, "How can we aid the Home, the Community, the Child, the Teacher, through the Sunday-school?" The home department, normal work, primary work, temperance work and decision day will be presented by addresses and discussions.

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President McKinley's assassination and Mr. Roosevelt's accession to the Presidency are the two dominant topics in the October Review of Reviews. Aside from the editorial treatment of these momentous events, a fully illustrated account of the last days of President McKinley is contributed by Mr. Walter Wellman, the accomplished newspaper correspondent, who was himself at Buffalo and writes from personal, first-hand knowledge of all the details of the tragedy.

In addition to the fashion features and practical dressmaking advice that has made the Delineator famous, the October number is full of good general reading, most tastefully illustrated under the immediate direction of the well-known artist, William Martin Johnson.

The editorial pages of the October Century include a strong paper upon "The Desperate Plight of New York City," and a resume of the Century's prize competitions for college graduates. The "Lighter Vein" department contains contributions from Esther B. Tiffany, Theodosia Garrison, Alexander Black, Carolyn Wells and others —including another of Policeman Flynn's adventures.

A short while ago The Cosmopolitan published an article by a well-known writer under the nom de plume of Rafford Pyke on "What Women Like in Men," which created wide interest not only in America, but also in England. The Review of Reviews, of London, said that the article showed "rare sympathy, rarer penetration and rarest knowledge of woman's nature." In The Cosmopolitan for October the same author discusses with brilliance and keenness "What Men Like in Women."

In The World's Work for October Mr. M. G. Cunniff writes of McKeesport in strike-time, and draws a vivid comparison between the conditions there before the Steel Trust and the Amalgamated Association got their hold upon it and since.

In Cassell's Magazine for October Mr. D. A. Willey describes a species of harvest festival on a large scale which is becoming increasingly popular in the corn-growing states.

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A Sailor's Log. By Robley D. Evans, Rear-Admiral, U. S. N. 467 pages, 8 vo. New York: D. Appleton & Co.

Rear-Admiral Evans here gives the reminiscences of a life passed in the service of the country. He pictures vividly events from his youth in the West, through his cadetship at Annapolis, the Spanish War and other scenes during the past forty years. Intensely interesting is his whole narrative, reading better than many romances and yet convincing always that fact, not fancy, is its basis.

A slight egotism is more noticeable perhaps, because of Senator Chandler's recent sarcastic comments on it. It is not a disagreeable conceit, however, but a natural pride in work well done.

The volume is excellently illustrated from photographs and drawings. We are enabled to reproduce, through the publisher's courtesy, a picture of the "Powhatan" from the book.

"She Stands Alone," The Story of Pilate's Wife. By Mark Ashton. 339 pages, 12 mo. Boston: L. C. Page & Co. Price $1.50.

There is too much history crowded into this work to make it quite readable as a novel, but it is interesting for its analysis of the character and motives of the wife of Pilate.

The story is rather long drawn out and so loses much of its force, but it is without the faults of vulgarity and sensationalism which have marred some recent historical religious novels.

The Right of Way. By Gilbert Parker 419 pages, 12 mo. New York: Harper & Bros. Price $1.50.

The publishers call this Gilbert Parker's masterpiece. One who appreciates all the power and impressiveness of "The Seats of the Mighty," "The Battle of the Strong" and "When Valmond Came to Pontiac" will be

divided in mind in deciding such a question. No one will find a deterioration in the genius of the author. The power is applied in new channels and "The Right of Way" is the result. It is truly a remmarkable novel.

The central figure is a young lawyer of great gifts and natural ability married to one who does not understand him and whom he does not understand. Unhappy for this reason, he is also the conscious victim of drink. The efforts of nature and his own to make a true man of himself makes the story, which has a most unusual denoument. The volume is finely illustrated.

Blennerhassett: A Romance. By Charles Felton Pidgin. 442 pages. 12 mo. Boston: C. M. Clark Publishing Co. Price $1.50.

Because of the great success of the author's previous book "Quincy Adam's Sawyer," because of the wide advertising of the present publication, and because the country is interested in the wonderful career of Aaron Burr and in his remarkable personality, this book, 'Blennerhassett,' is an instant success. It is likely to have an unprecedented sale. Much of its popularity will be from very real merit for it is well written and is full of dramatic scenes and effective situations.

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The Crisis. By Winston Churchill. Cloth, 12 mo. New York: The Macmillan Company. Price $1.50.

This has been conceded, by most reviewers, to be the most important work of the year in its class. As a story and a character study it is distinctly intresting, holding the absorbed attention throughout. The author creates several characters worthy of descending into classic history, "Eliphalet Hopper," for instance. Judge Whipple is admirable in his stoicism and pugnacious devotion to his principles of patriotism.

One finds, indeed, that the charm and power of the book is in the vividness and lifelikeness of the characters and the convincing descriptions of scenes and events in St. Louis and vicinity during the Civil War, rather than in mere dramatics, forced climaxes, or exciting predicaments.

The story deals slightly in the fortunes of Colonel Carvel and his daughter, Virginia, descendants of Richard Carvel." Stephen A. Brice is the hero of the tale. His encounters with such men as Lincoln, Sherman and Grant afford opportunities for new estimates of these characters.

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In the Pale. Stories and Legends of the Russian Jews. By Henry Iliowizi. 408 pages, 12 mo. Philadelphia: Henry T. Coates & Co. Price $1.50.

"The Wierd Orient" by this author, which we reviewed recently, was written after the present book. Both deal much with the same great Hebrew race, "In the Pale" being more modern in tone. The stories in the volume are are mystical and impressive to a degree.

"Nicholas I and Moses Montefiore" is one of the short stories in the volume which pictures the whole meaning of the race—their hopes, ideals and principles. The other stories deal with various features of Jewish life and custom in a vivid, forceful manner.

These stories are very readable, full of information of value and will appeal to the casual reader.

Antonia. By Jessie VanZile Belden. 258 pages, 12 mo. Boston: L. C. Page & Co. Price $1.50.

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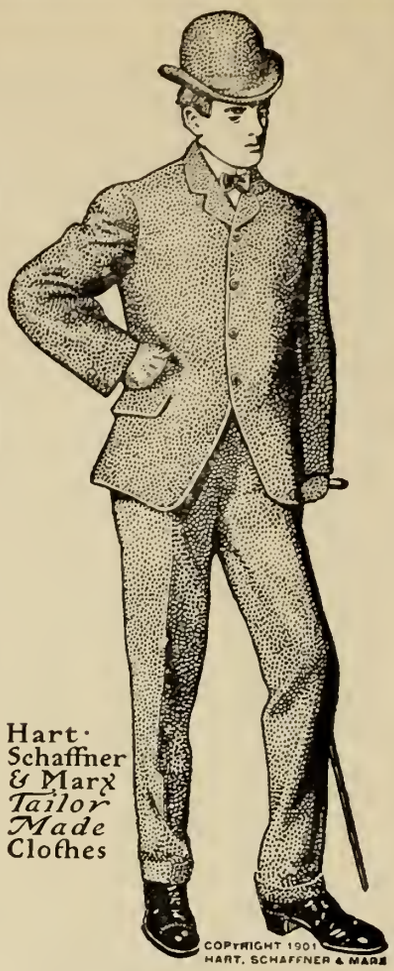

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By J. A. Edgerton.

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The men who win by the aid of sin.
The nation that rules by might,
The party that lives by corruption,
The trickster, the knave, the thief,
May thrive for a time on the fruits of crime,
But their seeming success is brief.

Sneer, if you will, at honor;
Make virtue a theme for jest;
Reflect on the man who strives as he can
To seek and to do the best;
Make goodness a butt for slander,
And offer excuse for vice;
Proclaim the old lie, the corruptionist's cry,
That every man has his price.

Yet know that the truth shall triumph,
That evil shall find its doom;
That the cause of right, though subdued by might,
Shall break from the strongest tomb!
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While the cause of truth has eternal youth,
And shall rule o'er the world for aye.

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THE STUDY OF THE BIBLE.

By Rev. George M. Stone, D. D.

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This is not a small matter in an age when there is a tendency to read much that even if not actually harmful on moral grounds is yet injurious, because it represents slip-shod, slovenly thought and work; not the kind of serious thought, of serious expression which we like to see in anything that goes into the fibre of our character.

The Bible does not teach us to shirk difficulties, but to overcome them. That is a lesson that each one of us who has children, is bound in honor to teach these children, if he or she expects to see them become fitted to play the part of men and women in our world."

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Let us inquire now regarding the spirit and method in which it should be studied for the highest profit. That it should be approached with *reverence* goes without saying it. For this book treats of *great themes*. Its topics reach far into a future in which we shall certainly share. We need gravity, moderation of spirit, and a collected mind

to bring ourselves iuto accord with the atmosphere of such a book. Some way we must get quiet aud hush the noisy tumult which is about us, iu order to give audience to the calm and sane speech of the men of the Bible. The best hour for reading it is the morning when the mind has been refreshed by sleep and cares, have been purged away.

Then it should be used habitually as a counsellor. People look iuto it at intervals, with perhaps a curious literary interest. Others follow the criticism of certain portions of it, aud wonder what is to be the fate of these parts of it, now under fire. The man who goes to it sincerely for daily counsel, will not be greatly moved by anything which is said about it. There will be built up slowly in his own mind a confidence iu its power aud widsom, which cannot be shaken as loug as he makes it his daily adivser. It becomes theu so great aud friendly that our affection clings to it as to a personal beuefactor. How much sufferiug should we be saved by such a constant use of it as I suggest? It does not simply keep us aware of the vast future comiug to each one of us, but it is the most practical of all books for guidauce iu common life. Take the Proverbs. No man would ever make a hasty or foolish iuvestment of money if he only kept iu touch with the homely precepts of this book. Then it must be studied if it be profitably used, with desire to find aud obey our true master Jesus Christ. The Old Testament points to a coming person who should be the center of human faith and love

In the New Testament he has really come. His history, his features, his death are the shiniug mountaiu-tops of the Bible. When we speak of *finding* Christ we speak of a real experience. We need to be introduced to Him by those who lived in His time, saw Him and studied His character.

Let us note some results in character from the study of this book.

A spirit comes forth out of the sacred page *which produces faith*. This is its first great gift. Its lines of thought lead out into the unseen with such true reasouableness that it wins the cousent of the reason. What a gift it is where so much is vauishiug to see the substantial aud eternal beyoud!

It lifts us above many of the trials and annoyances of life by pre-occupaion with great aud absorbing themes. The Bible-man is forewarned in life. He has the key to the mystery of the present, and is not taken by surprise at the events which transpire about him.

Love aud kindness will finally triumph in a Bible-made character—There is much to try us. We can meet the perplexities which are sure to arise with satire, or with forbearance and true kindness. Carlyle met them with rebuke aud scoru. Christ shows a more excellent way, but it is difficult to learu it. Not otherwise is it possible to learn it, than by daily knowledge of Christ as he is made knowu in the gospels and epistles of the New Testament

The Bible is ancient and modern at the same time, creating a demaud for itself as coustant and continuous as that for food and sunlight. A gentleman from Chicago, who has taken pains to observe recent facts regarding its sale, says: In one of the big department stores of New York, the other day, I saw two stacks of Bibles, each about eight feet high—miniature pyramids, risiug in the ceuter of the book department—aud I iuquired of oue of the clerks how they expected to get rid of so mauy. He looked up in surprise and said:

A HEATHEN NAGA.

"Perhaps you never had any experieuce in the book business, or you wouuld kuow that the Bible is the best selling book we have. We sell more copies every year than of auy other book iu stock. Occasionally there is a ruu on a popular novel, when the demaud will cease; but the Bible is a staple aud sells as well one year as another. We have two specialties. One of those stacks contains our 70-cent edition and the other our $1.20 edition, and we sell from 16,000 to 18,000 copies of each every year. We do not sell mauy Bibles in the summer. People want fiction mostly that time of year, when our Bilbe sales will not average more than twenty a day, but there is always a big demand in the fall, when people return to town and open the churches and start up the Sunday-schools. At Christmas time we have a Bible department, which requires the exclusive atteutiou of three or four clerks. We make up two of those great stacks every moruing and by uight both will be uearly gone. You have uo idea how many Bibles are bought for Christmas presents by Sunday-school teachers and fathers and mothers. Our average the year round will run from 125 to 150 a day. Neither 'David Harum' nor 'Trilby,' uor any other story has touched the Bible as a seller."

I got the same story in all the other big department stores—at Wanamaker's, Siegel & Cooper's and Mandel's—and at the big bookstores they tell me that the demand for Bibles is steadily increasing. Sometimes there is a spurt which the booksellers cauuot account for. At other tiues there will be a sudden increase in the demand, which will continue for several weeks. The sales will drop back into the normal amounts. There was always a boom in the Bible business wheuever Mr. Moody came to town.

May I urge every reader of these words to a faithful and systematic study of the Bible during the approaching winter? It will require resolution and courage, but no results of our activity, I dare say, will yield results of such large aud inclusive benefit to mind body and spirit, as a persistent and habitual use of the book of books.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

The observances of its fiftieth auniversary, Nov. 3d aud 4th, will make a brief record of the First Presbyterian church of special interest at this time.

The first steps toward the formation of a Presbyteriau chuerh iu Hartford, were taken iu July, 1851, when the Rev. James Ely visited the city, at the request of Presbytery, and preached at "Gilman's saloou," a hall iu the third story of a buildiug on Main street, nearly opposite to Grove. About sixty people were present. From that time on regular services were maintaiued, aud after a few weeks the cougregatiou secured Washiugton Temperance Hall ou the corner of Market and Temple streets, as a place of worship.

Soon after the commeucement of the work, Mr. Thomas S. Childs, a graduate of Princeton Seminary, was called to take charge of the new enterprise.

In October a petition for the organization of a church, signed by forty-seven persous, was preseuted to Presbytery, and on November 4th the First Presbyterian Church of Hartford was organized.

Toward winter it was found nec-

essary to make a change in the place of meeting, and Wadsworth Hall, on the corner of Main and Wells streets, was secured.

The first communion was administered on February 1st, 1852, by the Rev. J. D. Wells of Williamsburg, N. Y., at which time fifteen persons were received on profession of their faith, and one by letter.

Mr. Childs was ordained and installed pastor of the church on June 30th of the same year.

The question of securing a permanent home for the congregation was

A NAGA CHRISTIAN AND WIFE.

at once raise, and in 1853 the old South Baptist church on the corner of Main and Sheldon streets was purchased for the sum of $10,000. Earnest friends of the new church, both in Hartford and New York, aided in raising the funds necessary to hold the property. Notwithstanding, the financial question was a difficult one, and remained so for many years. Otherwise the church was prosperous and the outlook very hopeful.

The cornerstone of the church edifice was laid on July 12th, 1869, with appropriate services.

The building is of Connecticut granite, with trimmings of Ohio and Portland stone; in dimensions 123 by 57 feet. The total cost of the lot and building was about $70,000.

Dr. Childs resigned the pastoral charge in October, 1865, but continued to supply the pulpit until the following February, when the Rev. J. Aspinwall Hodge was called to the pastorate. He began his labors at once, and was installed on May 4th, 1866.

The old edifice on Main street was at this time found to need many repairs, and, after a careful consideration of the situation, it was decided to erect a new building. A lot was secured on the corner of Capitol Avenue (then College street) and Clinton street, and the chapel erected at a cost of $17,000. The last service was held in the old church on February 23d, 1868, and on the evening of February 28th the chapel was dedicated

Dr. Hodge resigned his pastorate in May, 1892, after a service of twenty-six years.

The pulpit remained vacant until March, 1894, when the Rev. William Breckenridge, the present pastor, was called to the pastorate. He supplied the pulpit during the summer and was installed as pastor on November 13th of the same year.

During the fifty years of the life of the church, it has received into its communion 1213 persons; 684 being on profession of their faith.

THE VALUE OF THE WILD MEN OF INDIA.

By Rev. A S. Perrine, Impur, Naga Hills, Assam.

When I first went to Assam I met an intelligent, educated Bengali *babu* (gentleman) who could not understand how I could pass by civilized peoples like the Bengalis and the Assamese and go to preach the gospel to the wild, to his mind, *no-account* Nagas of the hills. Since there are many intelligent Americans who are unable to understand this matter, allow me to say that the wild or hill tribes ought not to be considered less worthy than the apparently "more desirable" people of the plains; and for the following reasons:

1. All the "wild men" of India are of splendid stock. They are related to the Chinese, considered the best blood of Asia, and present the most manly and virile missionary ground in the empire.

2. The hill man has "snap" and "backbone." These the plains man lacks. In sturdy character the former will almost, if not quite, outclass his more refined Hindoo brother.

3. The hill tribes constitute virgin soil; the plains people a soil worn out by the weeds of a dead civilization; and it is a grave question if the so-called civilization of the plains is not a hindrance rather than a help to the missionary worker. Civilization without God is a very doubtful good. A civilized evil is no better for being civilized.

4. The plains people are weighted down, handicapped by old iron-clad institutions and traditions. For thousands of years these ancient institutions have been tested, found wanting, and now hang like millstones about the neck of India to sink her to despair. It will require a long time and infinite power to effect a change with such people. The wild man's customs and institutions are easily given up. The difference is that of adamant and clay: the plains people are adamant run into a mold and "set;" the hill men are clay ready for the potter's hands.

5. The largest and speediest results have been obtained among the wild men. For example, witness the Karens in Burma; the Garos and Nagas in Assam. More than nine hundred converts were baptized in one year from only one of the wild tribes. Burma and Assam rank among the very best missions in results; and yet in both rank is gained principally by the results among the wild men.

6. In the matter of self-support the plains man is outclassed by his hill brother. It must not be forgotten that the model self-supporting mission of all the world, of any denomination, is among the once wild Karens of Burma. And the other hill tribes are coming up to the standard set by the Karens.

A COMMON MODE OF TRAVEL IN THE HILLS OF ASSAM.

7. The wild men are increasing, so it is said, more rapidly under, and take more kindly to, British rule in India than the plains men. While the educated Hindoo is, in some cases, restive under the government of India,

the wild men not infrequently come from across the border and beg the English official to take them under his government and protection, for he knows (what the educated Aryan heathen seems unable to learn) that he cannot govern himself. There is every evidence that the so-called wild men will one day be granted places of honor and influence by the side of the most noble of India.

A few years ago, while at Kohima, a government station in the Naga hills, I was invited to the officer's "mess." During the course of the dinner the colonel turned to me and asked: "Do you believe you are doing any good here among these wild Nagas?" I said: 'Most assuredly, or I would not be here." "But," said he, "you do not mean to tell me that you think these Nagas can actually become converted and become Christians?" "Most certainly," said I, "as surely Christian as any one" "Bah!" said he "they are worthless—no better than dogs; and I would as soon shoot one down as I would a dog." "But," said I, "you evidently forget that but a few centuries back our Anglo-Saxon forefathers were in much the same condition these Nagas are in. Christianity has made us what we are, and will do as much for them if you will only give the opportunity." With evident haste he changed the topic of conversation, for he saw the point; and that *is* the point.

The Lord God Almighty in choosing his people passed by the high-grade Latin and cultured Greek and self-conscious Jew, and going out into the jungles of Europe chose two wild tribes, the Angles and the Saxons, and cementing them together, gave them the gospel and sent them out into the world to become the mightiest force we have ever known in history.

So again history may repeat itself. God may pass by the wise and noble of India, and choosing two of the wild tribes of Central Asia make them Anglo Saxons of the Orient. Who can tell?

We are, however, safe in giving, according to the command of Christ, the gospel to all peoples, and let them find their own place in the plan of God. We are safe, also, in doing most where there are the largest results—where God manifestly most largely sets his approval. Not less for the plains men but more for the hill men, in my opinion, should be our motto.

Dr. Henry C. Mabie, Secretary of the American Baptist Missionary Union, gives the following reminiscence of Rev. Edward Payson Scott, one of the first missionaries who attempted to reach the hill tribes:

"Among the most devoted of our early missionaries to Assam was Rev. Edward Payson Scott, who went out to that land in 1863, and died of cholera in Nowgong on the 18th of May, 1868. I think it was in the year 1866 that he visited the old University of Chicago, in which institution I was a student. He gave an address before the Society of Missionary Inquiry, and among the incidents which he told respecting his work the following remains vividly in my memory:

"Mr. Scott had been zealous to reach one of the wild hill tribes on the mountains, several days' journey from the station Nowgong, where he was living. He had made a beginning in the language, and had long resolved with his Mikir teacher to visit the tribe of the same name. When his purpose was known, the British officer resident at the station expostulated, representing that it was utterly unsafe for him to venture among this wild people. But Mr. Scott would not be deterred, feeling that the call to go was of God. The officer then insisted upon sending an escort of soldiers for his protection. 'No,' said Scott, 'that would defeat my purpose. I am a man of peace. My gospel is one of love and good will, and I must go attended only by my native preacher.'

"Accordingly, and to the distress of their friends, he and his Mikir associate made the journey. Toward the close of the third day they reached the base of a lofty ridge, suddenly the villagers, who had taken alarm, came out from their huts, and under the direction of their chief, all of the men, balanciug great spears in their hands, drew themselves up in a threatening line of battle. Shortly the chief cried out: 'Stop where you are. We know you, who you are. You are the Moha Raunis (the Queen of England's) man. You come to steal our children and carry them away into bondage. You must not come farther.'

"Scott hesitated for a moment, questioning what to do, and then drew out of its covering his violin, which he was wont to play with rare skill, and began to play and sing one of the hymns he had learned in their dialect:

'Alas, and did my Saivour bleed?
And did my Sovereign die?
Would he devote that sacred head
For such a worm as I?'

"When he had finished the stanza the astonished villagers, following the lead of their chief, thrust their spear-heads into the ground. He sang the next stanza:

Was it for crimes that I had done
He groaned upon the tree?
Amazing pity! grace unknown!
And love beyond degree!'

"The wild men broke ranks and began to creep down the hillside and gathered about in a semicircle, in a crouching attitude, until at length, as the hymn was finished, one of the number exclaimed: 'Where did you learn that, sir? Sing us some more, sir. We never heard anything like that, sir.'

"The villagers were completely subdued and won by these strains of gospel announcement; the missionary was no longer threatened, but cordially invited up to the village and treated with every hospitality it could afford. There the beginnings of work were made, which, alas! for many years after the death of Mr. Scott were completely suspended for lack of workers, but which more recently have been taken up again. . . Since Scott's day great harvests have been gathered in Assam—if not indeed upon the Mikir hills—among the Nagas, Garos, and other tribes; and we cannot doubt that in the near future all those mountains will resound with the praises of Immanuel's name. The seed faithfully sown, though buried long, will yet spring forth to abundant harvests." —The Baptist Missionary Magazine.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The fall work is now well under way with a large interest in all departments. The gymnasium classes have not been larger or more enthusiastic for several years than they are this season. As many as seventy men were in line for class drill one evening. Eleven classes per week are being conducted for men over 17 years of age, and some eight classes per week for boys between 10 and 17.

The Hillyer Institute classes are working well and while the enrollment is not quite so large as it was this time last season, yet it seems to be a more satiafactory enrollment for the reason that the men have enrolled for the entire season of twenty weeks rather than for half that time last year. The department has been hindered somewhat by the illness of the Educational Director, Mr. Gregg, who unfortunately was taken down with typhoid fever early in October. He is now convalescing and is expected to

be out again within a few days.

The Boys' Department is progressing with much encouragement. Over 120 new boys have been received in the department since the work commenced under the new plan. Very positive efforts are being made to interest boys in religious things and their gospel meetings are held every Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock in Fraternity Hall, and the attendance is steadily increasing. Sunday, November 3d, 120 boys were present. An arrangement has been made whereby all of the able men who have been secured to address the men in the Opera House, will speak first to the boys in Fraternity Hall. The Bible class organized for the boys who work is having a large attendance.

In the Religious Department of the Senior Association there is evidence of better things. The men who signed cards at the Opera House meeting, October 13th, expressing a desire to begin the Chistian life, are being followed up and it is hoped that quite a numbe of them will be led into church membership. All the meetings that will be held at the Opera House in the coming months beginning November 10th will be conducted on a strictly evangelistic basis.

The Week of Prayer is to be observed under the leadership of Mr. S. M. Sayford, the well known college evangelist of Boston, and good results are expected from his work.

The recent State Conference of Employed Officers of the Association held at New Haven November 5th, was one of the best in the history of the State, and reports show a decidedly forward movement on the part of the Association.

An effort is now being made by the managers to clear up the mortgage indebtedness on the splendid property of the Hartford Association. There only remains about $17,000 to be raised. This debt once out of the way there will be no further excuse for a debt problem with the Association. The income from memberships, rentals and contributing members and donors would provide for the regular work in the future.

ST. THOMAS CHURCH.

Rev. Mr. Peckham of Glastonbury, preached Sunday morning, Oct. 13th, in exchange with Mr. Warner.

At the annual meeting of the Young People's Club held in October, Mr. Arthur S. Halliday was elected president and Mr. Alpheus Mather secretary and treasurer. The club had a Hallowe'en Poverty Party which was largely attended and very successful. The prizes for the poorest costumes were taken by Miss Minnie C. Warner, a framed picture, and Mr. Clarence B. Sherwood, a lobster.

The Ladies Guild are preparing for a Christmas sale to be held the first week in December.

News of Churches

NEW BRITAIN AVE. MISSION.

Oct. 16th, the Ladies Aid Society met at Mrs. E. R. Joslyn's and elected officers as follows: Pres,, Mrs. E. R. Joslyn; vice-pres., Mrs. Purington; secy. and treas., Mrs, J.W. Longdon; directresses, Mrs. C. J. Clare, Mrs. Myers, Mrs. W. Clark and Mrs. Webb; sick committee, Mrs. Myers and Mrs. Roys. After the business meeting they held a supper.

The following are those who have spoken to us the last month, Mr. Mucklow, assistant pastor of Fourth Church, Mr. Fulton of the Theological Seminary and Hartford Evangelical Society and Mr. Henry Redfield of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Nov. 1st, the young men of the Mission entertained the young ladies by giving them a supper.

WETHERSFIELD BAPTIST.

Our church is enjoying the excellent sermons by our pastor, Rev. Mr. Elsden.

The church on Nov. 1st, gave a Birthday Social, which netted quite a little sum toward church expenses. The ladies furnished supper and quite a pleasant hour was enjoyed, with singing and speeches.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

The rector's reception to the parishoners which occurred Thursday evening, Oct. 31st, was much enjoyed by all present,

Professor Luther is to preach at the morning service Sunday, Nov. 17th.

Sunday evening, Nov. 3rd, the Hartford Lodge of Elks visited St. Johns and the service was greatly appreciated.

The choir is doing good work. Their singing at the service to the Elks was especially commendable.

Our rector is endeavoring to stimulate more energy among our young men, that we may have a real live Young Men's Parish Club,

The attendance at the Sunday school has been very satisfactory since we resumed, We are now keeping the attendence on a card system,

The second regular service on the second Sunday in each month is to be especially devoted to the Sunday school. The services commence at 3 p. m.

The Knights of Temperance, which is now in the hands of the younger boys, is flourishing. They are planning to have several of the old members present at the next initiation of candidates.

Mr. F. H. Taylor, of the Hartford Public High School, is to lecture on "Athens" before the Girl's Friendly Society, Nov. 15th.

The first Tuesday evening of each month is devoted to a service for the society.

Toward the last of October we sent a box of articles to the Indians for Christmas.

The girls are now sewing for the hospital.

Miss Annie Smith is to organize a candidate's club.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

Sunday, Nov. 3rd, Prof. Luther, of Trinity College, assisted the rector in the morning service, Prof. Luther has returned lately from abroad and was welcomed to the church by the rector. He preached the sermon which was on "All Saints Day," and spoke well and feelingly on the significance of that important day in the Church calendar.

Dr. Hart assisted the rector at the afternoon service on Sunday, Nov. 10th, and spoke about the "Reminiscenses of the Convention." Dr. Hart is well qualified to review the proceedings of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal church lately held at San Francisco. He was closely followed by the congregation in his address.

Thursday, Nov. 7th, the Men's League held its annual business meeting for the election of officers and other business proper to come before the meetiug.

A goodly number of men attended, officers duly elected, and a great deal of enthusiasm prevailed.

The program for the year includes a more generous use of the amusement room and a talk or lecture with a musical program the third Thursday of each month, to be followed by a lunch and a social hour. One or two dinners will be given by the League during the year at which good speakers will attend and a closer acquaintance of its members be brought about.

A minstrel entertainment will be given by the young people of the church on Wednesday evening, Nov. 20th, at Colt Memorial Hall. The proceeds will be used toward purchasing a piano for the reading room of the building, where all the societies may enjoy the use of the instrument. A good attendance is expected,

The Daughters of the King and the Girls' Friendly Society are meeting each week, with a good attendance and interest in their work.

The Bishop will soon arrange a time of visitation to confer the rite of Confirmation on candidates of the Good Shepherd church. Some Sunday in January, 1902, will probably be elected.

UNITY CHURCH.

Mr. E. M. Cutting, who has been a prominent member of the society and Sunday school for the past seven years, has gone to New York to take a position with the American Bicycle Company. It is a deeply felt loss to the society and the occasion of great regret. He has been a trustee, clerk of the society and head usher, also secretary of the Sunday school. A reception was held in the church parlor on the evening of Oct. 31, when a gold watch and fob were presented to him. Mr. Waite made the presentation felicitously. Mr. Cutting responded feelingly and said that in going to New York he did not feel that he left his interest in the church behind him.

Mr. William S. Friebe, a former librarian of the Sunday school died in Prescott, Arizona, on Oct. 21st. His funeral was held at the church on Wednesday, Oct. 30th, at 2 p. m., Mr. Waite officiating. The bearers were Mr. Samuel Friebe of Waltham, Mass., an uncle, Mr. Arthur Sill, a cousin, of this city, Mr. F. H. Lane of Windsorville, and Messrs Moody, Dwyer and Bartlett of the Aetna Life Insurance Co., where Mr. Friebe was employed. The floral tributes were many and beautiful including a chrysanthemum piece from Unity Sunday school, roses from the Aetna Life Ins. Co., and a pillow of roses and chrysanthemums from the family.

A Sunday school social was held Nov. 8th, a Bean Auction furnishing entertainment.

Mr. Frank Preston has taken Mr. Cuttings place as secretary of the Sunday school.

ASYLUM AVENUE BAPTIST.

The meetings of our Christian Endeavor Society have been very interesting, although the attendance has been small.

The Junior Christian Endeavor meetings have been well attended and the interest is increasing. Three of the Juniors united with the church last month.

PARK CONGREGATIONAL.

On Friday evening, Nov. 1st, the ladies gave a very pleasant reception to our pastor, Mr. Ranney. The decorations were in red. As the guests assembled, each was presented with a paper, on one side of which was the name of a popular song which was to be represented by a drawing on the opposite side. These drawings were hung on a screen and the guessing began. Most of the drawings were excellent and Miss Geneva Trumbull won the prize, a bunch of carnations, having guessed forty-five out of about one hundred.

At the C. E. meeting on Nov. 10th, there was a very good attendance to discuss, "What can we do for Park Church?" Dr. Abrams was the leader and especially suggested "loyalty in word, thought and deed." By sociability and hospitality is an other way to help. The organization of a missionary study class in our church was agitated.

At the vesper service, Nov. 10th, was illustrated the part that music can take in public worship. It was a worshipful service with music from Dr. Stainer's works and descriptions by Prof. Waldo S. Pratt of the seminary.

On Thursday evening, November 14th, at 7.45 o'clock, Mr. Ranney will begin a series of talks on "Great Truths of Religion." The first topic is "Early Progress Toward Civilization." How did men learn the arts of peace and of war, language, trade, government? Were we self-taught or God-taught?

SOUTH BAPTIST.

Our annual church supper, October 24th, was well attended, 175 setting down to the tables. The attendance during the evening was 225. An enjoyable social time was spent. One new deacon was elected, Mr. L. J. Seymour, and Mr. A. W. Brown for Sunday school superintendent.

A goodly representation from the C.E. Society attended the Hartford C. E. Union meeting, at the Farmington Avenue church, Oct. 30th.

The primary department of the Bible school has an average attendance of about 65 children, with a very able superintendent, Miss Bertha Wright. A class of seven graduated Nov. 10th, to the intermediate department.

A new circle of King's Daughters has been formed among some of the younger ladies of the church. It is the "Ever Ready Circle" and meets Friday evening, Nov. 15th, with Mrs. Dixon, 28 Capitol avenue.

The older circle of King's Daughters are to pack a box for the Baptist Orphanage at Alaska.

Our C. E, Society sent a delegate to the state convention at Danbury.

At the meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, held Friday, Nov. 8th, a special collection was taken for missions. The meeting was a very interesting one. Subject, "India"; leader, Miss Louise Carey.

GLENWOOD CONGREGATIONAL.

On October 31st, our annual meeting was held, It was a very interesting meeting as just before adjournment one of our members offered to give a dollar for every one given by the members before November 1, 1902, this money to be applied on our mortgage, the amount of which is $3500. After the offer was made different members pledged the total amount of $150. Since that time the Ladies society has pledged $100. and the C. E. society $50. It is hoped that we will be able to lift the mortgage before our next annual meeting. Any that are not members are at liberty to subscribe to this good cause.

The Ladies society gave an oyster supper Nov. 12th.

At the annual meeting of the Hartford Union of C. E., Mrs. J. B, Sexton was elected junior secretary and Geo. H. Wilder was elected vice-president of the Central Section.

On November 21st, our Sunday school is to hold its annual reception. It is hoped that all our scholars as well as those that are not, with their parents, will attend.

It is suggested that a young men's club be formed. this to include all young men in this vicinity.

Our Sunday morning congregation is growing larger and we trust may continue to do so.

All are invited to attend our Christian Endeavor meeting at 6.45 p. m., every Sunday.

FARMINGTON AVE. CONGREGATIONAL.

The Hartford C. E. Union held its annual meeting with our society on Wednesday afternoon and evening, Oct. 31st. Plans were made by the society to make this gathering one of pleasure and profit to all and we hope we accomplished our purpose.

Our Endeavor Society is adding new members each month, and with renewed strength we start out to gather into the fold those who will labor with us in the Vineyard.

ST. PAUL'S METHODIST.

The Ladies Aid Society expects to hold a bazaar the first week in December.

The Rev. Dr. Cha's H. Buck, formerly pastor of the Prospect M. E. Church of Bristol, will speak of his travels and his impressions of our mission work, in St. Paul's Church, on Sunday evening, December 8th. Dr. and Mrs. Buck have recently returned from a journey of nearly two years spent in the Orient, going somewhat out of the usual line of travel.

They visited the island of Samoa, New Zealand, Australia, India, China, Borneo and the Philippines.

A very helpful series of special evangelistic services were conducted by the pastor and people, assisted by the Rev. James Tregaskis of New Haven, part of the time during the latter part of October and the first of November. Forty persons professed conversion and thirty of these have united with the church upon probation. Some will unite with other churches. Besides the probationers, on Sunday morning, November 3rd, six persons united with the church by letter from other churches. Over one

hundred new volumes have just been added to the Sunday school library.

MEMORIAL BAPTIST.

In October, the Ladies Aid Society gave a harvest supper. The social part, as well as the supper, was much enjoyed.

Every year our pastor gives a Bible to the one who has brought the greatest number of new scholars into the Sunday school during the year. This year there were three children who had brought in the same number of new ones, so three Bibles were given instead of one.

The meetings for the study of the Sunday school lessons have been resumed, These are very helpful to the teachers.

WETHERSFIELD METHODIST.

The ladies of the church are to hold their annual Harvest Supper and Entertainment Wednesday evening Nov. 13th.

A number of out of town guest are expected. The entertainment is furnished by students from Wesleyan "1904."

FIRST CONG'L, EAST HARTFORD.

Two members were added to the church at the last communion service, Mr. L. H. Bogue by letter and Miss Mabel A. Williams on confession.

The new officers and committee of the Endeavor Society are entering upon their work with great energy and enthusiasm. Large plans are being laid for the winter, among them a Current Event Club, which has been organized with Rev. Mr. Tuthill as leader.

Socials are being arranged, the one for the 22d of November being a reception to the pastor and his wife.

The evening preaching service has been resumed with a fair attendance.

Rev. F. R. Waite of Talcottville occupied the pulpit Nov. 10th, morning and evening, in exchange with our pastor.

Work has been commenced on the new road through the church property and building lots will be ready for the market soon.

Thanks to the D. A. R., the old church site, near Blinn's saw mill, is being graded and put in order, as a historic green, around which clustered many memories of the olden time, but which has been sadly neglected for many years.

SOUTH PARK METHODIST.

The Rev. W. A. Richard of New York a former pastor of this church, will preach both morning and evening, Sunday, November 17th.

The social of the Epworth League on Wednesday evening, Nov. 6th, was well attended and enjoyed by all. Forty-three members were enrolled.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society will hold its annual thank-offering meeting, on Thursday evening, November 14th. An interesting programme has been prepared. This society is also planning to send a Christmas box, containing clothing and provisions, to a minister on the frontier, in Dakota.

At the meeting of the official board, Nov. 4th, it was voted to invite Mr. John M. Dick the evangelist of the Y. M. C. A., to conduct special services in the church during the week of prayer in January.

Several members of the Epworth League attended the session of the Epworth League Institute and Training School of the New Haven District, held in New Haven, November 8th and 9th.

A new press has recently been installed in the printing department of our church and is giving great satisfaction.

The lot in the rear of the chapel has been cleared up and vines planted in preparation for the church garden. The work was done under the supervision of Mr. H. D. Hemenway of the Horticultural School.

NEWINGTON CONGREGATIONAL.

The New Britain C. E. Union met with our church on Oct. 28th. Mr. Ebberman, National Field Worker, addressed the meeting. A large attendance greeted him.

The Central Conference met with us on Oct. 29th 175 were in attendance and a very profitable and enthusiastic meeting was held.

The Children's Aid society held its annual meeting in the chapel Oct. 30th. Ground was broken for another new building.

Rally Day was a decided success. Each one present was presented with a badge.

Mr. Chas. Osborn's class has been appointed to select an object for our Sunday school offerings for the remainder of the year.

FIRST CONG'L, WEST HARTFORD

On Tuesday afternoon and evening, October 29th, the new parsonage was opened to members of the congregation, and the reception given by Rev. Mr. Hodgdon and Mrs. Hodgdon was largely attended. The rooms which were tastefully decorated with potted plants and chrysanthemums, presented a dainty and pleasing appearance. The young ladies of the Junior auxilliary assisted in showing people about the finely appointed house, and ladies of the congregation poured and assisted the pastor and his wife in receiving.

The Men's Union held its first meeting of the season in the chapel Friday evening, Nov. 1st, the general subject was "William McKinley" and many tributes were paid to the life and character of the lamented President.

Eight new members were received into thec hurch at the communion service Sunday morning, Nov. 3rd.

A meeting of the committee of the union religious meetings will be held Wednesday evening, Nov. 13th.

BLOOMFIELD CONGREGATIONAL

The fair and entertainment under the auspices of the Ladies Benevolent Society, given at the church Oct. 24th and 25th, was qnite successful financially; the net profits being $230. The musical program rendered Friday evening proved a treat.

Mrs. W, C. Dean and Miss Camilla Griswold went as delegates to the meetiug of the Hartford Conference at West Hartford. The pastor was unable to attend.

Rev. Francis J. Marsh, of the Congregational S. S. and Pub. Society, will be present at the morning service, Nov. 17.

Much interest is felt in the building of the new town hall. The lecture room of the church has been the only place to hold town meetings and since it has been papered, painted and a new metal ceiling put up, many have thought it should be used for no other than church purposes. Besides this, there will be provision for a library in the new building, and the fund left to the town for the purchase of books, by the late Levi Prosser, can be utilized. The building is to stand on the site of the old hotel and the contract calls for its completion May 1, 1902.

The young ladies of the church gave a very creditable and pleasing entertainment Friday evening, Nov. 15th. The first part was musical and the second part a reception to M. A. Sweet, and her seven delightful daughters. The proceeds went in part towards the payment of the piano.

The church is to lose two families by the disposal of the Acme Screw Company to a Cleveland concern. E. H. Taylor and W. O. Tobie will continue in employment of the new company and will move to Cleveland in the winter or early spring.

ST. JAMES CHURCH.

Monday evening, at 7.30, the Embroidery Class meet.

Tuesday evening, the Girls Friendly Society at 7 p. m.

Wednesday, the St. James Guild of younger boys have their drill.

Thursday, Nov. 14th, the Ladies Missionary Society meets at 3 p. m., for the sale and supper on Thursday, Nov. 21st, when a musical and dramatic entertainment is to be added to the attractions.

Friday, Nov. 22nd, the Brotherhood of Andrew St. holds its meeting.

Saturday, the St. James Guild meets at 2 p. m.

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Editorial.

THANKSGIVING.

If it be true that "Prayer is the soul's sincere desire, uttered or unexpressed," it is also true of the sense of praise. It is not essential that we express our sense of thanksgiving in words. Hymns of praise are not necessarily a manifestation of a thankful heart. Verbal testimony, however desirable and praiseworthy, is not absolutely essential, but the thing that is essential is a spontaneous sense of praise and gratitude, which is with us, not one day in the year, but each and every day, and which is bound to manifest itself in all our acts and thoughts.

"Let this petition rise, 'Give me a calm, a thankful heart' ". These words we sing, and scarcely could ask for a greater blessing than a thankful heart.

For an abundance of material blessings do not insure happiness. In the pursuit of wealth and happiness we often go far afield and find our quest a vain one, when by making the most of the blessings we have at hand we find our truest source of content and thanksgiving.

When one happily has this abiding sense of thanksgiving in their hearts it is bound to manifest itself in their lives and in many a practical way. "Freely ye have received, freely give." And give not alone what we have but of ourselves as well.

It is not even possible for us to be a source of thanksgiving to others by what we may do for them or be to them? Cannot we cultivate such a genuine and constant spirit of thanksgiving, that it will prove contagious to those about us? Let us make the attempt and make it now, while the season especially set apart for thanksgiving is at hand.

Thou that hast given so much to me,
Give one thing more, a grateful heart.
Not thankful when it pleaseth me,
As if thy blessings had spare days,
But such a heart, whose pulse may be
Thy praise.
—George Herbert.

NATIONAL THANKSGIVING.

While yet we mourn the death of President McKinley the nation may well give thanksgiving for the fact that such a disaster could occur without serious disturbance to the country's institutions or its general prosperity. And there is reason for profound thanksgiving in the fact that a man of such sterling integrity and true patriotism, as we believe President Roosevelt to possess, was at hand to fill in the breach.

Then, too, the great victory for honest municipal government in New York was one to inspire courage, everywhere, among those who are opposing the corruption which has too long been the disgrace of many of our largest cities.

Politics are surely taking a healthier tone in our country, for which we can all well give thanks.

There are two essentials for a permanent republic. The first is a pure, living religion. And the second is a true home life, where honesty, purity, and mutual affection are developed. —Charles M. Sheldon.

BREEDERS OF ANARCHY.

While everybody is condemning the anarchist who murdered the President, it is well to remember that he has had many respectable abettors. Senator Dolliver said, in an address at Chicago: "It ought not to be forgotten that conspirators, working out their nefarious plans in secret in the dens and caves of the earth, enjoy an unconscious cooperation and side partnership with every lawless influence abroad in the world. Legislators who betray the commonwealth, judges who poison the fountains of justice, city governments which come to terms with crime,—all these are regular contributors to the campaign fund of anarchy. That howling mass, whether in Kansas or Alabama, that assembly of wild beasts dancing in drunken carousal about the ashes of some negro malefactors, is not contributing to the security of society; it is taking away from society the only security it has. It belongs to the enrolled reserve corps of anarchy in the United States."

"No American, it seems to me, is so unworthy the name as he who attempts to extenuate or defend any national abuse, who denies or tries to hide it, or who derides as pessimists and Pharisees those who indignantly disown it and raise the cry of reform."—George WilliamCurtis.

AMERICAN ANTI-SALOON CONVENTION.

Preparations are rapidly being perfected for holding the Sixth National Anti-Saloon Convention in Washington, D. C., December 3, 4 and 5 next. The sessions will begin Tuesday, December 3, in one of the most commodious buildings in the city, and will conclude the following Thursday.

All bodies hostile to saloons are requested to select delegates.

The object of the league, as set forth in the Constitution, is "the suppression of the saloon." To this end is invited the alliance of all who are in harmony with this object, and the League pledges itself to avoid affiliation with any political party as such, and to maintain an attitude of neutrality upon questions of public policy not directly and immediately concerned with the traffic in strong drink.

The managers of the William McKinley Memorial Arch Association are greatly delighted at the acceptance of a vice-presidency by Dr. F. E. Clark, president of the United Societies of Christian Endeavor of the United States. They regard Dr. Clark's acceptance as a practical pledge of the enthusiastic assistance of the vast membership of the Christian Endeavor societies and they say that the great success that has been met with in all former attempts made by these societies to raise funds for praiseworthy objects makes it certain that anything to which they consent to lend their aid will prove successful.

Among important events of the current month should be mentioned the Sunday-school workers' convention held at the South Baptist church, Nov.

14th, under the auspices of the Conn. S. S. Assn. It was a very successful and helpful gathering, and we regret that lack of space this month prevents us from giving a full account of it.

On Sunday, Nov. 17th, Mrs. Whittemore of New York, founder of "The Door of Hope Mission," will tell of her labors among fallen women and along similar lines of work. She will speak at the jail at 9 a. m.; at the Asylum Hill Congregational church at 3:30 p. m., and at Center church at 7:30 p. m.

One of the best Sunday-school Hymnals is "Carmina for the Sunday-school," published by A. S. Barnes & Co., 156 Fifth Avenue, New York. This book marks a real advance in Sunday-school music, and has received the endorsement of many of our prominent Sunday-school workers. We can heartily recommend "Carmina" to those schools wishing to instill into the minds of the scholars a taste for better music, a want, to our mind of long standing. The publishers will send a free copy to committees or superintendents for examination.

The Des Jardins Type Justifier Company, which sets type for The Church Review, has issued an artistic folder entitled "A Martyred President's Legacy to his People," being the address of President McKinley, at Buffalo, on Sept. 5th, 1901. It is an admirable specimen of the printer's art and a worthy setting of a famous speech.

About forty-one thousand applications for life pensions have already resulted from our Cuban and Philippine wars.

HARTFORD CHARITIES.

The Y. W. C. A. work for girls has begun under the charge of Miss Helen Calder, general secretary. The rooms are to be open Sunday afternoon for Bible reading and other days and evenings for use of library. It is a work of great importance and will undoubtedly be productive of great good.

The annual fair of the Union for Home Work was held at Jewell Hall, Tuesday, November 5th, and was very successful.

The evening schools have re-opened with an enrollment of over one thousand. The work is of utmost value and importance to our city and the attendance at the Farmington avenue, Y. M. C. A. building and Morgan street branches show that it is appreciated.

Col. Chas. E. Thompson was appointed as president of the City Mission board.

The successor to the late Mrs. Adams in charge of the work at Morgan street mission is Miss Caroline E. Bartlett. Mr. Gillette was reappointed as City Missionary

The annual meeting of the Charity Organization Society was held at the Board of Trade rooms, Wednesday, Nov. 13th. Reports were read from President Collins and Superintendent Green, both showing satisfactory results during the past year, and some further progress toward unifying the various charitable organizations of the city.

The Board of Directors was elected for the ensuing year including as new members, Dr. J. Coleman Adams, Rev. R. H. Potter and Mr. H. L. Bundy.

CITY MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Among coming events an occasion of much interest will be the semi-centennial of the City Missionary Society at the South Congregational church, Sunday, Nov. 24th, at 7:30 p. m.

Colonel Chas. E. Thompson the president of the society, will preside, and among the speakers will be the following: Rev. E. P. Parker, D. D., Rev. J. H. Twichell, Dr. E .M. Gallaudet, of Washington, D. C., Rowland Swift, Julius G. Rathbun, John T. Robinson, Rev. Mr. Merlino and Henry J. Gillette the City Missionary. It is expected that Rev. H. Clay Trumbull of Philadelphia will contribute to the interesting occasion. At this meeting the public is invited to attend.

WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

At the last meeting of the W. C. T. U., Nov. 5th, a report was given of the recent State Convention held in Bridgeport, at which 187 delegates were in attendance from a State membership of 4169. Thirty-five companies of the "Loyal Legion" were reported. One speaker said: "God seems to roll special burdens on each generation—ours is the drink traffic." Mrs. Cornelia B. Forbes was elected to the office of State President for the eighteenth time. Our local union rejoices in the brave words of Gen. Miles in support of the present law against intoxicating liquors in the canteen.

SHELTER FOR WOMEN

The ninth annual meeting of the board was held Nov. 7th. The yearly reports were very interesting and encouraging. Thirty-five girls were members of our family during the year, twenty-one placed in good situations and are doing nicely. Some have been returned to their homes, others placed in institutions.

We have also had 150 lodgers in one lodging department including twelve children. Situations have been found for a number of them, and they have been helped in various ways. We feel the Lord's blessing resting upon the work, inclining many to yield their hearts unto Him, and we praise Him as we see the changed lives and happy faces, and know that they in turn are reaching other lives in blessing.

Quite a little work has been done in the neighborhood in visiting families and lending a helping hand as we had opportunity.

Miss Hadley is doing considerable outside work, visiting the railroad station, hospital and jail, striving to reach girls and be of help to them.

Our Sabbath afternoon services are refreshing, there is a large attendance and we gladly welcome any who can meet with us.

DRESS MATERIALS FOR WINTER.

The rough faced, long-haired materials that are so much worn this winter are illustrated in novel fashion in the December Delineator, the designs being given in actual size, and also reduced to one-eight actual size to give the effect of the goods in the piece. The picturesque winter decorations—laces, bandings, sets, etc.—are also shown.

KING'S DAUGHTERS' CHAPTER HOUSE.

The King's Daughters' annual fair at the Chapter House on Prospect avenue was held Wednesday and Thursday, Nov 13th and 14th. The usual attractions were in evidence including the doll, candy, flower and package booths, and there was also an attractive display of domestic work, needlework and art work at other booths about the hall. A good supper was served each evening. The attendance was excellent both days and the financial results gratifying.

THE OPEN HEARTH

The colder weather has brought hundreds of those who have been working through the summer to our city and many of these men have been working for so small wages that they have been unable to save much to carry them over the winter. Superintendent Miller

has each case to consider and select those who are in any manner worthy from those who spend what they earn in drink and he recommends no one for places without first giving them a trial as to their wish to lead a sober and good life. The applications made to him for a few hours work of a deserving man are therefore attended to carefully and our citizens know that only honest and deserving men will be sent them. This employment bureau is a great help and the number of persons wanting men either temporarily or or permanent situations should be inceased. Those also who have clothing to spare should remember that by sending it to the Open Harth it will be given to deserving persons.

The meetings which are held every evening, as well as morning prayers at nine o'clock each morning, are well attended and many are brought by Mr. Miller's practical talks to desire and determine to lead a better life, with the help of God, and tc shun those companions and associates which have led them astray.

The Gospel Wagon work of the past year has been so encouraging, and the interest on the part of many persons who have attended the summer services at Pope's Grove has been so manifest that Superintendent Miller has determined to continue the work during the cold weather, and has secured rooms at 84 Babcock street, which have been fitted up, the first service being held Sunday afternoon, November 10th. The attendance was most gratifying and it is expected that much good will be done in the direction of awakening the careless and indifferent, and encouraging those who have already been benefitted by the work done by the Gospel Wagon services.

The Children's services at the Open Hearth continue to attract large numbers of those living in the neighborhood and it is a pleasure to have these young voices singing the bright and cherry songs of praise or listening to the talks fitted to their comprehension and interspersed with stories given by Superintendent Miller.

The Superintendent's office is open from nine to eleven o'clock each day for those desiring advice and many avail themselves of this privilege.

WARBURTON CHAPEL.

The same lines of work are being followed as last season in our effort to help religiously, socially and educationally, all who come within the influence of the Chapel. The teachers weekly meetings for study, instruction and fellowship have for the past seven years been a notable feature and the interest evidenced this season proves still further, not only the pleasure, but also the necessity of such gatherings to prepare for successful co-operation in the work of the school on Sunday

On Nov. 5th, Mr. Robert N. Fulton spoke to the teachers and described his visit to Jerusalem. Aside from the delightful way in which Mr. Fulton outlined his journey, the talk was full of interest for its biblical importance and also for the information concern-the modern observance of Easter and the historic spots in and about the Holy City.

The mothers meetings have been planned for the coming winter to be held on alternate Thursdays. Through these gatherings, the parents' socials, our home department and calling by the teachers, a touch is kept up between the homes and the Sunday-school, resulting in a larger and more regular attendance on Sundays.

During the week we have the kindergarten for the children of the neighborhood too young to go to public school.

For the older girls we offer the girls club, the sewing, knitting and dressmaking classes, and for the boys, clubs and class organizations with weekly meetings.

On Sunday evenings a young people's meeting, with a concert once in two months, invites all for a service of song and illustrated Bible story or brief address.

During October our Sunday-school offerings were for the American Missionary Association and Mr. Frank Woodworth spoke to the school upon the aims of this society, especially of the educational efforts among the colored people in the South.

Our offerings for November go for the "Morning Star," and each Sunday we have a brief story of that work from some member of Miss Mix's class.

The recent lessons from the life of Joseph proved of deep interest, especially to the boys and young men.

ADDITIONAL CHURCHES.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN.

The principal event in our church during this last month has been the celebration of the semi centennial of the organization of the church. The program prepared by the pastor and elders was carried through with much success, and the exercises were greatly enjoyed by the members of the church and congregation. On Sunday morning, Nov. 3rd, the communion of the Lord's Supper was celebrated and twelve new members were admitted into the church, nine being on profession of their faith. There was a very large attendance of the members of the church, many being present from out of town who were, at one time, active in the work of the church. In the evening Rev. Francis Brown, D. D., of Union Theological Seminary, New York, preached a very able sermon on the subject "Presbyterianism and the Church of Christ."

Monday evening, at six o'clock, a luncheon was served in the parlors by the ladies of the church, for the invited guests, church officers, and the honored members of the church who have attended its service during all these fifty years.

At 7.30 p.m., the anniversary exercises were held in the church. The pastor, Rev. William Watson Breckenridge, presided. A history of the church was read by Mr. A. D. MacKinnon, and addresses were made by Rev. Henry A. Davenport of Bridgeport, Rev. Dr. E. P. Parker, Rev. Rockwell Harmon Potter, Pres. Geo. Williamson Smith of Trinity college, Rev. Joseph H. Twichell, Rev. Dr. Geo. M. Stone, Rev. Dr. E. A. Blake, and Rev. John T. Huntington. Mrs. Martha Roulston sang "The Penitent" by Van de Water, and "Angus MacDonald" by Roeckel.

A very delightful feature of the occasion was the presence of Prof. Richard Morse Hodge of Union Seminary, New York, a son of the late Dr. J. Aspinwall Hodge, for so many years the pastor of the church.

Altogether it was an occasion of very great enthusiasm and helpfulness for the church.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN.

The month has been full of interesting events. The General Eastern Society of of Loyal Workers held their annual convention at Springfield the fourth week in October, Mr. and Mrs. Teeple and Mr. L. F. Colton, acting as our delegates.

The following week the State Conference met at Bristol reserving one day for Sunday school interests and one for the Loyal Workers.

Mr. L. F. Colton, Mrs. Chas. Crocker and Mrs. W. J. Pierce, with our pastor, were delegates to the Sunday school convention, and Mrs. Maude Fuller and Mrs. Ida Shaw to the Loyal Workers.

As a result of the work of the conventions our L.W. Society in Hartford voted to assess themselves a certain sum each, annually, for the work of the General Eastern Society. Our society also voted to take a weekly paper named "Our Hope," published in Mendota, Ill., for the use of the Society at the church.

There has been one conversion the past month which has given cheer and encouragement.

A collection was taken recently for the China mission.

ASYLUM HILL CONGREGATIONAL

On Sunday evening, Nov. 10th, Miss Jones of the North Street Social Settlement, gave an interesting talk at

our young people's meeting in regard to the aims, methods and results of the work in which she is engaged, with others.

At the monthly praise service, Nov. 3rd, our choir gave an excellent rendering of Gounod's "Redemption."

On the afternoon of Wednesday, Nov. 13th, the ladies of the church gave a reception to Rev. and Mrs. Geo. A. Wilder, who are missionaries to the East Central African Mission

On Oct. 27th, our pastor preached the Bi-centennial Anniversary sermon at Yale, and in his absence the pulpit was acceptably supplied by Rev. John Moore, son of Mr. Wm. H. Moore.

On Thursday afternoon, Nov. 14th, Mr. Lord gave his forty-third organ recital in the church, assisted by Mr. Maercklein, soloist.

NORTH METHODIST.

The meetings of the various church societies have been resumed with good attendance at each. With the vacation period over, work for the winter is being taken up in earnest.

On Monday evening, November 11th, a Yacht Supper was given by the official board of the church. It was an unusually successful social, about 250 people being present. The room was decorated with appropriate flags and yacht ensigns. The menu included dishes dear to the sailor and was one of the features of the evening. Rev. Mr. Irons, our former pastor, sent some cotton pods from Atlanta, and the gentlemen who waited on the tables distributed the pods to those present as souvenirs. Take it all in all the affair was one of the most novel given in the city in some time.

SOUTH CONGREGATIONAL.

The even-song services were resumed Nov. 10th. Rev. Raymond Calkins of Pittsfield, Mass., preached both morning and evening on that date.

Young people's meeting, on the 10th was given up to the King's Daughters; six circles made reports and the meeting was also addressed by Rev. Mr. Calkins who described some features of the King's Daughters' work in Pittsfield. The Young People's Society has appointed a social entertainment for Wednesday evening, the 13th inst. It is believed that a social at this time and under these conditions will help to unite the young people more closely besides furnishing a pleasant evening.

Dr. Parker introduced a new feature in the mid-week prayer meetings recently. He devoted the meeting to a sketch of the life of Martin Luther and a description of some of the places connected with his career. At the close of the meeting the people remained to mingle socially and partake of refreshments. We understand similar occasions will be arranged at intervals through the season.

WINDSOR CONGREGATIONAL.

Work on the new parish house was begun something over a month ago and we are rejoicing in the hope of occupying a beautiful and commodious bnilding next summer.

A chorus numbering seventeen has been organized under the leadership of Mr. Fred Bower to act as a church choir. Mr. Bower is aso the organist.

FIRST BAPTIST.

The men's meetings reopened November 3rd. This is the sixth year these meetings have been held and they have proved a great success.

The Young Men's League will hold its first meeting on the 20th of this month. All men are cligible. We anticipate some pleasant evenings as the banquet, the music and the speakers are always good.

Mrs. Ferry, the wife of the pastor of the South Park M. E. church, recently addressed one of our Mother's Meetings, giving a "Heart to Heart Talk," which was of great interest.

Miss Eaton's Sunday-school class and Circle of King's Daughters held a rummage sale for three days during the past month. A net profit of $50 resulted.

A very successful social was held by our Young People's Association on Wednesday evening, October 30th.

SUFFIELD STREET BAPTIST.

We are glad to welcome Mr. Owen as our pastor. The Sunday evening services are being very well attended, and we believe much good is being done.

The last Sunday in October was observed by our Christian Endeavor Society as "Prison Sunday." In consequence we had the pleasure of listtening to Mr. Latham, chaplain of the Wethersfield State Prison.

The Dorcas society will meet Wednesday, Nov. 13th, for the first time this fall.

BLUE HILLS AVE. CHAPEL.

Mr. Gaylord and Mr. Hawkes have entered upon the work for the year with an earnestness that cannot fail to bring about good results. They have arranged, had printed and circulated a series of topics for the Sunday evening services and are doing personal work during the week that is appreciated.

Mr. Butterfield, also of the Seminary, has taken a class of boys in the Sunday school and is proving himself an efficient helper. Teachers are still needed as some of the classes are too large for the best work.

Since our last report an entertainment consisting largely of musical selections and recitations has been given under the direction of the Christian Endeavor Society. This brought the people together socially and also provided means for some needed repairs about the chapel, and left in the treasury of the society a surplus from which to draw for future benevolences.

FIRST METHODIST.

The Epworth League held a Penny Social at the parsonage on Wednesday evening, Nov. 6th. There was music by Miss Gladys White and a reading by Miss Mabel Blake. A very enjoyable evening was spent by all.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Matthews have just returned from a week's outing in Brattleboro, Vt. The Misses Vosburg of Hudson, N. Y., are visiting Mr. John Decker of Smith street.

We were surprised to see the announcement of Miss Ida Wilcox, but we are sorry to lose her from our League.

WINDSOR METHODIST.

In consonance with the Twentieth Century Gospel Campaign, the Week of Prayer beginning Sunday, Nov. 10th, will be observed and evangelistic services held every night thereafter as long as the interest will warrant.

The Ladies' Aid Society gave their annual Harvest Supper and Handkerchief Sale Oct. 23rd, which was a decided success, netting them about $66.

The official board of the church have succeeded in securing the Glee and Mandolin Clubs of Wesleyan University to give one of their first-class entertainments in the Town Hall of Windsor, Friday evening, Nov. 22nd. The low price of admission, 35 cents, should secure a crowded house to enjoy an entertainment of so high a character as is given by the club.

WINDSOR AVE. CONGREGATIONAL.

The Sunday-school numbered 300 last Sunday. Several new classes have been formed this fall including a Normal Training Class conducted by Mrs. Peabody, and a Men's Bible Class taught by Mr. Joseph P. Tuttle.

The Christian Endeavor Bible Class is taught this year by Mr. Clement Brigham, one of our active Endeavorers.

A teachers' tea is held once a month and matters of interest in regard to Sunday-school work are discussed.

Miss Louise Kassenbrook has been chosen as vice-president to fill out the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Wilbur S. Latter, who has gone to Worcester.

The Christian Endeavor Bible Class will give a social for its members Wednesday evening.

The Ladies' Aid Society gave a supper Friday evening, Oct. 25th, which was a financial as well as a social success.

The church has voted and pledged enough money to maintain a foreign pastor, and the committee in charge is to report to the church and the field is to be decided upon.

The flower committee, under the auspices ot fhe Christian Endeavor Society, has purchased palms and ferns to be used for church decoration during the winter.

CHRIST CHURCH.

On Wednesday, November 13th, the Connecticut Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Board of Missions, held an all day convention at the church. Holy communion at 9 o'clock followed by reading of reports and addresses by Rev. Mr. Forrester of Mexico, and by Miss Julia C. Emery of New York. A missionary service was held at 2:30 with addresses by Bishop Brewster, Bishop Graves of Shanghai, China; Bishop Hare of South Dakota, and Bishop Rowe of Alaska.

All the regular meetings of the church have been resumed with gratifying attendance.

Thursday, November 14th, both afternoon and evening, the church was occuied by those interested in the work of the Sunday-school Institute. The afternoon meeting, which opened at 2:30 o'clock was addressed by Rev. Mr. Jerman. Dr. Walter Smith addressed the evening meeting, which began at seven o'clock.

TRINITY CHURCH.

Two memorial windows were unveiled in the church on All Saints' Day, one in memory of the late J. W. Gray and the other of J. S. Gray. The colors are are very beautiful, in harmony, and blending well with the few windows already installed.

Teachers' meetings on Thursday evenings are proving very interesting, the subjects of the lesson being explained by the rector, after which a paper is read by some one of the teachers on some phase of Sunday-school work. Thus far two papers have been prepared, one by Mr. Penderell Walker on "The Sunday-school and the Church," and one by Miss Mary Bulkley on "Qualifications of a Sunday-school Teacher," both of which were very interesting and opened the way to a general discussion of the topic.

At another meeting Miss Lucy G. Stock of Springfield, primary sup't of the Conn. S. S. Association, read a carefully prepared paper on "The Sunday-school and the Home." This was followed by a small tea, affording the the teachers an opportunity for meeting Miss Stock.

Sunday-school atendance continues to increase, last session being the highest in our history, which was also the first of this term during which no new scholars have been entered.

The children of the parish meet Fridays at 3:30, immediately after the school to do missionary work. They are now making Christmas presents to send to a colored mission school in Atlanta.

The ladies meet Tuesdays at 2:30 p. m., to do sewing in preparation for packing a box for some clergyman in the diocese; and at 4:30 p. m, pass a social half-hour, when tea is served. All the ladies are cordially invited to join this society, especially the many new comers.

A parish social will be held at the Parish House, Friday evening, Nov. 22nd, to which all members of the parish are invited.

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

HARTFORD CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR UNION.

The Hartford Union held its 14th annual meeting Wednesday, October 31st, in the Farmington Avenue Congregational church.

The afternoon session opened with a praise service, President Goslee in the chair. The reports of the sec'y, treas., finance, lookout and missionary committees were presented and accepted. That of the sec'y and treas. showing that the Union is doing good work and hopes to continue along the same lines. Owing to the absence of the missionary sup't, A .C. Williams, Mr. Thurston of the Seminary, gave a very interesting talk on "Missions" and the great need of workers.

The president's annual address was short but to the point, and was received with applause.

After responses from the presidents of the various societies constituting the Union, the meeting adjourned for collation. At 7:15 occurred the business meeting of the voting delegates and was largely attended. The principal business at this time was a vote passed reducing our contribution to the State Union from $80 to $50, and devoting our collections at Union meetings to some missionary object that is non-sectarian and not too local The report of the nominating committee was read and the sec'y was empowered to cast a vote to elect all nominated as follows: President, Dr. E. H. Munger, West Hartford Cong'l church; sec'y-treas, Miss Grace D. Thayer, Farmington Ave. Cong'l; vice-pres., northern section, Wm. L. Wilkenson, North Methodist church; vice-pres. central section, Geo. H. Wilder, Glenwood Congregational; vice- president, southern section, A. H. Brooks, Weth. Ave. Cong'l; vice-president eastern section, Harry D. Olmstead, East Hartford Cong'l; vice-president north-western section, Rev. Sam'l A. Fiske, Avon Cong'l; junior sup't, Mrs. J. B. Sexton, Glenwood Cong'l. A vote of thanks for efficient and conscientious work for the past two years by the retiring president and vice-presidents was voted The evening session was well attended and opened with prayer and praise service. After the devotional exercises by Rev. W. DeLoss Love, Rev. E. F. Talmadge gave a most interesting talk on "How to make the prayer meetings more attractive."

The banner was awarded the Rocky Hill C. E. of E. L. for best percentage in responses at consecration meetings for the past six months.

The main address of the evening was by Rev. C. E. Ebermann of Boston, field sec'y of the United Society, on the "True Mission of C. E."

With the benediction closed a very interesting meeting of the Union

PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

Dear Fellow Endeavorers:

We are at the beginning of another year's work and I hope that it will be successful.

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Edwin H. Munger, President.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS.

(From the Presbyterian C. E. Manual)

Nov. 17.—Missions: Preaching and Hearing. Rom. 10:13-17.

TOPIC THOUGHTS

Practicing is preaching.

Every post of duty is a pulpit.

There are many kinds of preaching, but only one message.

Better a preacher than a king.

Christ proclaimed, men reclaimed.

The message makes the preacher.

Christ works with them who work for him.

The highest calling is that which calls men back to God.

The word gives wisdom for winning.

The purposeful preacher prevails.

God's messenger has God's might.

The hearer's ears have an equal part with the herald's lips.

God's word is least welcomed where most needed.

Nov. 24.—Thanksgiving. Isa. 25:1-8.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

Praise the Lord for ability to praise him.

Thanksliving is truest thanksgiving.

Songs of praise are genuine only when the life echoes them.

God will always give us grace to give him gratitude.

They who praise are given further reason for praise.

Joy is thanksigving.

Small blessings deserve great praise.

We should be grateful because God is great.

When the world seems awry, give thanks that God is on high.

We should give thanks because God has given favor.

The saved may serve by saying so; confession is thanksgiving.

The Lord should receive our thanks for the helping Spirit whom we have received from him.

Our high calling calls for high praise.

Dec. 1.—Children of God. Rom. 8: 14-17.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

The children of God should be on intimate terms with their Father.

Children may be chastened, because loved.

The King's children have great privileges.

While living here below we should remember that we have been born from above.

The children of the highest should live exalted lives.

Children of God should be godly.

God's children are well provided for by their Father.

The children of God should not disgrace the family name.

The child of God should grow up into the likeness of God.

The child's happiness is the Father's joy.

The Spirit is the seal of sonship.

Dec. 8—The right use of ability. Matt. 5:13-16.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

The able are accountable.

"Ought" is twin to "can."

The betterment of men is the highest use of ability.

We are responsible both for the use and increase of our ability.

Ability brings responsibility.

Kingly talents should be put to royal uses.

Every light owes its beams to the farthest darkness it can reach.

That we do much is a proof that we can do more.

The light shines, not to show its own brightness, but to illuminate the darkness.

Abilities are doubled by Christ when dedicated to Christ.

The more we are in ourself, the more we may mean to God.

Conducted by Mr. George Whipple Steele.

Questions on musical subjects of general interest will be answered in this department.

MUSIC IN THE CHURCH.

The association of music with religious worship is recorded from earliest periods of human history. The pagan rites of Persia, India, Greece, and Rome all found expression in some kind of religious music tho' the form was barbaric and crude. It remained for the Christian Church, however, to develop ecclesiastical music of any real dignity or beauty. "From its very beginning," observes Louis C. Elson, the Boston musical critic, "the Christian Church made music its handmaid."

Discussing the form and future of ecclesiastical music in this country, Mr. Elson says:

"The question of what the ideal musical church service should be is not to be answered offhand, but surely some points of guidance may be gathered from the historical facts already cited. In the first place, the musical church service of the future should free itself from all fetters of prejudice, and admit every form of musical art that has been used successfully by any denomination whatever. The boy choir should not be suffered to be a matter of creed, nor the orchestra to remain almost entirely a Catholic institution, so far as the church service is concerned. An eclectic system of church music should be evolved, in which every element above described might be free to enter in, according to the exigencies of the occasion, and limited only by the size of the edifice, of the congregation, or of its purse. Naturally, the Catholic mass as a whole, could not enter into the Protestant Church, for it is fitted closely to its own ritual; but certain of its chief numbers could be employed, if given a good English paraphrase. The mighty choral should be assiduously cultivated. If every service contained at least one broad chorus of the dignified character of 'St. Ann's,' it would be a good corrective for much of the jingly music that obtains in the United States. . . .

"A less restricted repertory would be the first and most immediate result of some of the changes suggested above. The best part of the music of each church would enter into the service of all. Some of the shorter Palestrina numbers, 'O Bone Jesu,' 'Jesu Rex,' or 'Rex Virtutis,' for example, would appear with proper paraphrases in English: the orchestra, or some of its instruments, would be used as in the great Catholic services; from the Anglican Church the anthems of Purcell and of the older composers would be borrowed; from both of the above churches the custom of stately chanting would be derived; Bach would prove an absolute mine of beauty; the hearty congregational work of the Evangelical churches would be retained, but enriched and brought nearer to the ideal of Martin Luther.

"This roughly outlined, should be the future. It seems strange that, while music in general has taken up all modes of expression and treatment, church music should have been hampered by serious limitations and should have developed only in special grooves, according to the denomination that used it. The Catholic Church has had the most varied, the most artistic, the most powerful music, simply because so few limitations were placed upon it, and even in this church the grandeur of the Bach chorals is unknown.

"America has in recent years made giant strides in general music; the contemptuous European saying of sixty years ago, 'Who reads an American book?' could have been applied with tenfold force to the hearing of an American composition. To-day we have great composers even in the largest forms of composition, largely symphony orchestras, renowned string quartettes, operatic performances equal to the best that Europe can hear; it is possible that it is reserved for our country to break the fetters in which church music has been so long confined; it is not beyond the bounds of probability that the American churches may yet establish a musical service that shall contain within itself the best artistic results that the ages have brought forth in every church and in every nation."—Digest.

Mr. B—

The following pieces are simple and yet interesting for pupils of the grade mentioned in your note. "Birthday Greeting," C. Schild—op. 93, No. 8, "Humoresque," A. J. Biedermann—op. 361, Hearty Welcome, H. Wenzel—op. 25,' Cradle Song," R. Eilenberg—op. 16, No. 9. Waltz, P. Ducelle op. 375, Maybells are Ringing, F. Baumfelder.

Miss K.

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First Prize.—I never touch alcoholic liquors, I keep my heart restful and never "get mad," consequently I do not need to rush for nerve tonics and headache cures. Exercise, baths, etc., are of little use except the mind and heart are at rest. I neither listen to or notice gossips. I live in peace through God and through the love He has given me for those around me. I sleep in a room alone (every one should do this) and Christian workers usually can. They can at least have plenty of air in the room. I have hosts of friends and visit them socially. I "bike" once a week and get away from my work. I take a cold sponge bath every morning, and walk a few miles every day. I eat good, wholesome, plain food, and lots of it, and I sleep eight hours.

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Second Prize.—I begin the day with a cold bath and thorough rub. I eat a light breakfast, and no matter how many or urgent the day's duties, never leave until I have met and received from the Father His peace. The one hearty meal of the day is at noon. At all meals I shun tea and coffee, using milk or cocoa instead. I stop work in time to take a half hour's recreation before the evening meal. I sit down to a meal with a mind free from the cares of the day. Before retiring, I read for fifteen or twenty minutes some bright, helpful, thoroughly interesting article or book which leaves the mind free from impressions of the day and prepares me for a healthful, refreshing night. "Souls in Pawn" was my evening meal for weeks. I retire in time for seven or eight hour's sleep, and take one day in the week for rest, and on that day indulge in a hot sea-salt bath. Whenever I get worn out I live in an entirely foreign atmosphere for that day. I do something I have not done in a long time—a very simple rule—but next day my work will look fresh and inviting.

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LITERARY DEPARTMENT

Scribner's Magazine for October comes in a dress of remarkable elegance. Not only is it fine color work, but a heavy glazing, amounting almost to a varnish effect, gives it finish. The number contains the first of a series of articles by the new President called "With the Cougar Hounds." Walter A. Wyckoff also contributes to the number.

The Era is the new name of the publication which has been often mentioned in these columns, The Literary Era. As the scope is broadened by introducing stories and verse, as well as essays and articles of general interest, it has been decided to drop the qualifying part of the magazine's title. The first number, October, is an excellent magazine and gives promise of still greater improvement.

A worthy exponent of the Thanksgiving season is the November issue of "Success." Its cover is a masterpiece by the celebrated Lyendecker. It represents a father, mother, and son praying in a church, while the Angel of Plenty hovers over them. The figures are touchingly life-like, and the color scheme is a fascinating compound.

In Cassell's Magazine for November Mr. Randal Roberts has an article on the education of King Edward VII. under the title of "The King and the Schools." His Majesty was at three universities, Edinburg, Oxford, and Cambridge.

The Cosmopolitan has endeavored to make itself known by timely contributions to all important controversies. Frank Moss, so well known in the Lexow and Mazet investigations, contributes "Municipal Misgovernment and Corruption: A Warning to Patriots" to the November issue. This considers a serious difficulty in a way that will be interesting not only to New Yorkers, but residents of every part of the United States.

The World's Work continues to express its gospel of endeavor and achievement. In the November number this buoyant spirit is caught in a wide range of topics. The magazine defines its faith in President Roosevelt, and outlines his difficult problems.

An inspiring story of American trade expansion is told in the career of "American Locomotives Abroad," by M. G. Cunneiff. A plea for health is found in Dr. Flick's article on the "Fight Against Tuberculosis."

Country Life in America for November is a superb fulfillment, on the part of the publishers, of a promise to make a new sort of a magazine devoted to nature, country homes, gardening and all things out-of-doors. The two leading articles are "The Abandoned Farms," a picturesque presentation of the best ideals of country living. These present in a large way widely different rural conditions of the greatest human interest.

Marriage Customs in Many Lands" is the subject of a series of articles opening in the November number of the Woman's Home Companion. The strange ceremonies which attended marriages will be described and illustrated. The articles will be fascinating in interest.

With its November number The Century begins a year of American Humor. Appropriately enough, it contains a twenty-page "Retrospect of American Humor," by Prof. W. P. Ward, Mark Twain, Stockton, Harris, Bunner, Field, Bill Nye, Riley, F. P. Dunne, George Ade and a score or so of others who have successfully sought to tickle the risibilities of the American people.

Four in Hand. By Mrs. A. M. Costello. 447 pages, 12 mo. Boston: The Pilgrim Press. Price $1.50.

The story of four brothers of quite differing characteristics, a mother who has to keep the four "in hand" and a cousin whose noble character makes the mother's task easier.

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The Orthodox Preacher and Nancy. By the Rev. Magee Pratt. 11 pages. 12 mo. Hartford: The Connecticut Magazine Co. Price $1.00.

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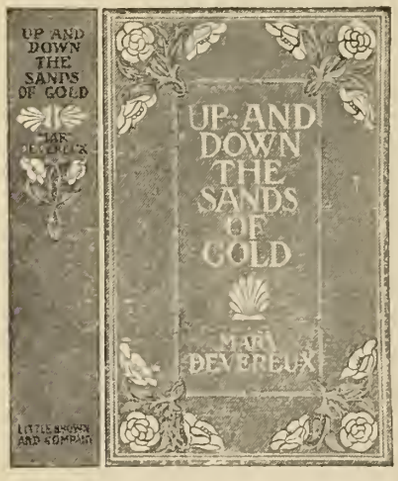
This, "Being the tale of the misfortunes of a minister who tried to do as Jesus would; a story of ministerial life as it is," will be read by the thoughtful reader bearing the above fact in mind. Allowing for that all that is possible, a pitiable condition of affairs is made sadly evident. There is no escaping it—one feels that the ministers pictured by the author are real, the bad ones as well as the good ones. We are assured that not an incident is in the book, nor a person depicted, that had not its counterpart in real life. One cannot dispute against facts and facts talk, and have their influence when revealed.

This book cannot but be of service in the great order of things. It sets one to thinking. It is bound to impress every reader with the questioning thought as to where his or her share of the responsibility for the state of things as shown begins and ends. It is a question that it will hurt no one to consider.

There is not space here to adequately consider the details of the book. The author expresses himself with power and clearness. He has an appreciation of the grandeurs and beauties of life which reveals itself constantly and in a style charming, inspiring and grace-



ful. "God's Day," an original poem which prefaces the book, is real poetry, marred slightly by one or two infelicitous expressions.

The book has for a frontispiece an excellent portrait of the author, who is a well-known resident of this city. Through the courtesy of the publishers we are enabled to reproduce this portrait.

Up and Down the Sands of Gold. By Devereux. 425 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Little, Brown & Co. Price $1.50.

We have received the advance sheets of this book—the latest by the author of "From Kingdom to Colony." It is a present day story. The scenes in an American seashore town and the characters are quaint and admirable. The old sailors with reminiscences of the past, with wide experiences and a practical knowledge of things, advance frequent witty and optimistic philosophies, which give a unique distinctness to the book.

The local color is excellent. One cannot but like the "Doctor," "Captain Jack" and "Uncle Billy." The plot of the story is bright and makes the book of uninterrupted interest.

The Ruling Passion. By Henry Van Dyke. 296 pages, 12 mo. New York: Charles Scribner's Sons. Price $1.50.

Eight short stories, unusually well illustrated in color, an excellent type, on good paper and collected under an attractive and substantial binding make up this book.

These stories, however, are by a man who knows how to say much in little space and always says it in beautiful, appropriate language. These are stories with morals—morals that the dullest can comprehend and appreciate. They are strongly optimistic. "The Gentle Life" is a story of inspiring beauty, so too is the opening story "A Lover of Music" and "A Year of Nobility." The stories are excellent character studies all.

Galopoff, the Talking Pony. By Tudor Jenks. 234 pages, 12 mo. The Little Lady—Her Book. By Albert Bigelow Paine. 315 pages, 12 mo. Caps and Capers. By Gabrielle E. Jackson. 287 pages, 12 mo. Published by Henry Altemus Co., Philadelphia. Price, each, $1.00.

These are all stories for young people. The authors are sufficiently well known to make their names assurance of excellence and interest.

The characters in the first named story are lovable beings and they will appeal to every child in consequence. The second is in general tone much like the first named. The Little Lady tells many stories, and has stories told her, besides which she has various interesting experiences.

"Caps and Capers" is a story of life at boarding-school and is a genuinely wholesome and interesting recital of jolly events and pleasant experiences.

Kith and Kin. By George Hyde Lee. 174 pges, 166 mo. Washington: The Neale Company. Price $1.00.

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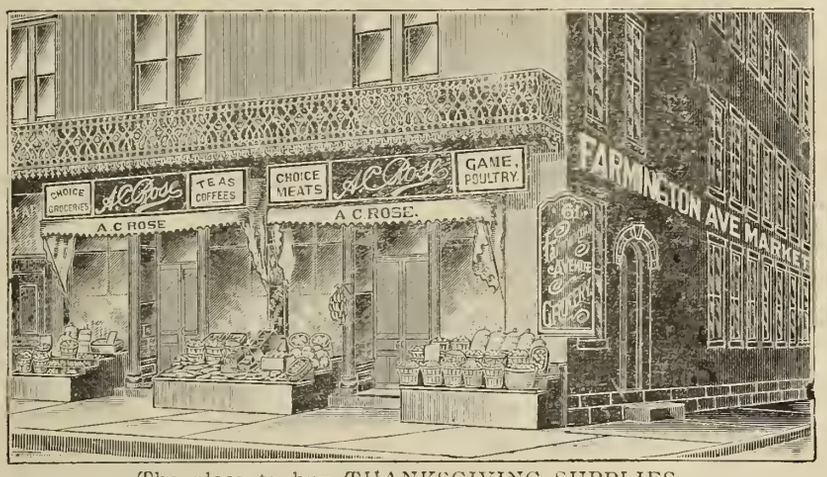

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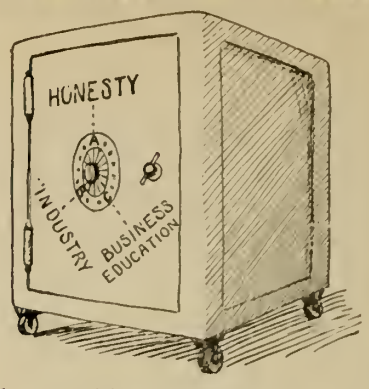

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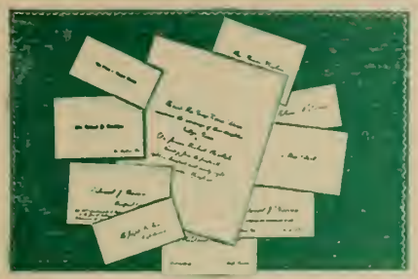

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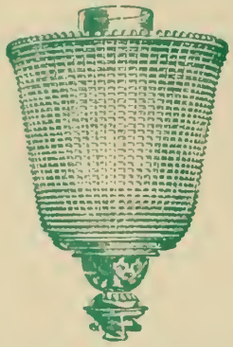

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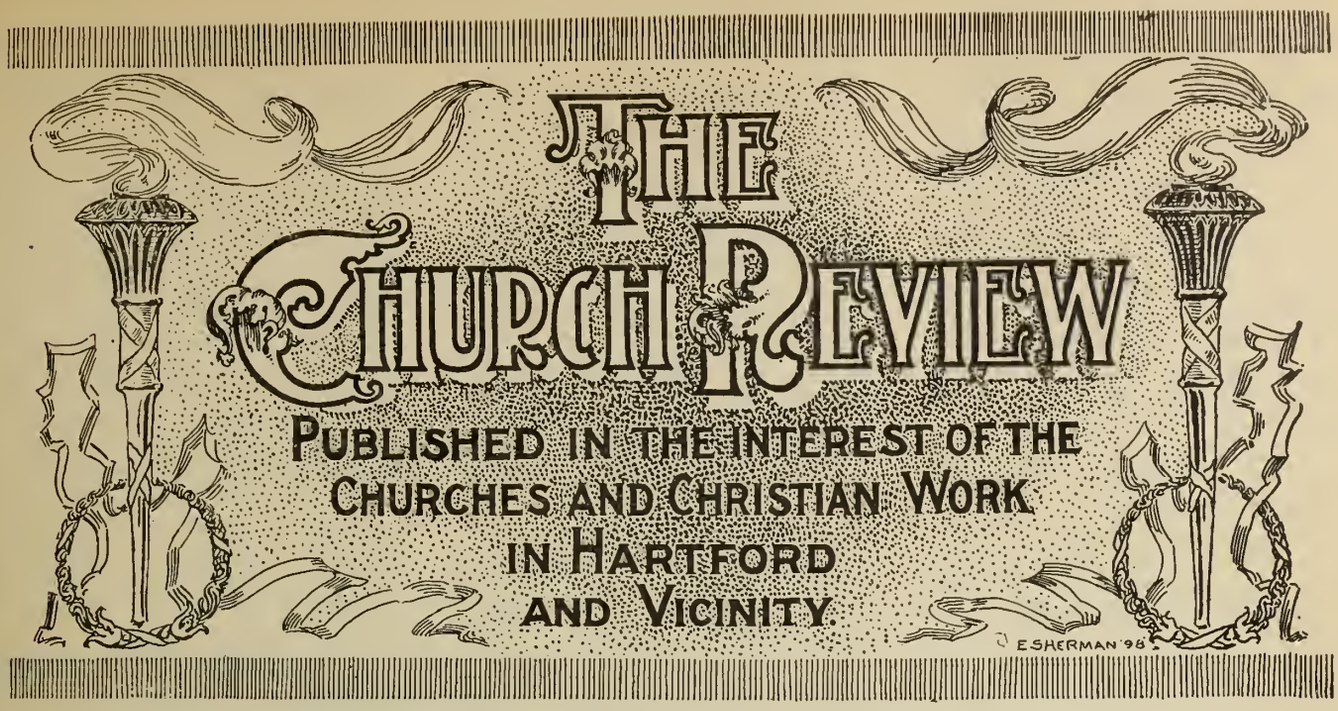

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From "Marmion."

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And well our Christian sires of old
Loved when the year its course had rolled,
And brought blithe Christmas back again
With all its hospitable train.
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Gave honor to the holy night.
On Christmas eve the bells were rung;
On Christmas eve the mass was sung;
That only night, in all the year,
Saw the stoled priest the chalice rear.
The damsel donned her kirtle sheen;
The hall was dressed with holly green;
Forth to the wood did merry men go,
To gather in the mistletoe.
Then opened wide the baron's hall
To vassal, tenant, serf and all;
Power laid his rod of rule aside,
And Ceremony doffed her pride.
The heir, with roses in his shoes,
That night might village partner choose;
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The vulgar game of "post and pair,"
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And general voice, the happy night
That to the cottage, as the crown,
Brought tidings of salvation down.

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THE BETHLEHEM OF TO-DAY.

By Rev. Daniel H. Martin D. D.

A trip to Palestine remains in memory a mixture of amusing, romantic, solemn and sublime sensations. The Christmas season now at hand recalls to me the picturesque day I spent in and around the little village where the Saviour of men was born. We were sitting in the dining-hall of the Russian Hospice at Jerusalem, when our dragoman announced in his fragmentary collection of English that our carriages were ready for our party of twenty-five to drive to Bethlehem. On our way down to the street I thought how much better, if less Oriental, to take this journey in a comfortable carriage than to bump over the road on the back of a camel, as did our less favored predecessors, the Wise Men of old. But that was where my wisdom failed. The carriages to which our astonished eyes were introduced were products of the German colony, fearfully and wonderfully made. The one in which I found myself with three other victims, was a cross between a furniture truck and a horse car in its dotage; such a creation as a Yankee born in Germany might evolve out of his inner consciousness. And it was really worse than it looked. Fortunately the road between Jerusalem and Bethlehem is comparatively smooth, or most of our passengers would have had their teeth jarred out or their necks dislocated.

Attached to the front of each vehicle were two horses of the same type, and evidently from the same factory. They appeared to be asleep or dead. They were reservoirs of hidden energy however; for when the word to start was given, and the crack of the Arab lash was heard these bony beasts were galvanized into sudden life. Away our vehicles flew up through the narrow streets of the Holy City, and down the hill by the Java Gate towards the valley of Hinnom. At times the carriages were three abreast, rushing like mad, each driver trying to outrace the other, hub grazing hub street Arabs scrambling for their lives out of the road. The safety of the passengers did not seem to enter the heads of the racing Jehus, whose only ambition was to bring each his load to town first, dead or alive. Of course most of the party were greatly frightened. But as no one could speak Arabic our loudest protests fell in vain. In the conveyance just behind ours was an old lady nearly dead with fear, who was poking her umbrella into the ribs of the driver in front, telling him to quit his wild racing. But he supposing her protests to be enthusiastic injunctions to him not to be beaten by the others, plied the lash more vigorously to his galloping steeds. Just then in attempting to pass a vehicle in front at narrow gauge he pulled too near the embankment, over went the wheels and out went the load. The spill was not attended with any serious results. Nothing was broken except one of the ten commandments. This by a Gentile from Jersey City, who, not satisfied with taking the Lord's name in vain, seemed ready to take the vain life of the driver.

This episode sobered the racing propensities of our coachmen, and we proceeded toward Bethlehem with more dignity. We had time to study the landscape around us. Now we have crossed the head of the valley of Hinnom, and on our left is the Hill of Evil

Counsel. To the right are some modern homes. Scaling the summit of a high hill we look back. What an imposing view of Mount Zion greets our eyes! How grand the City of Jerusalem appears even in desolation. Its huge gray walls rise like the sides of a fortress, the deep encircling valleys seem like a castle moat, and the surrounding hills flank it like the outer defences of a central citadel. All critics, higher and lower, agree with Davids declaration: "Beautiful for situation is Jerusalem, the joy of the whole earth."

Jerusalem has a population to-day of about 50,000. Two-thirds of this are Jews. The streets, narrow, unpaved and filthy, are deserted after dark. This is no wonder, for there is nothing to be seen after dark. It is a serious, solemn city. It has no clubs, no public library, no theater, no concert halls, no beer gardens, no lecture halls, no bar-rooms, no street bands, no amusements of any kind. Jerusalem is the most cheerless city in the world.

But a new Jerusalem is growing up outside the walls. Schools, hospitals, convents dot the sloping hills. The contrast between the new and the old Jerusalem is very striking, as we viewed it from our vantage ground, driving toward Bethlehem. After gazing at the crumbling walls and houses of the Holy City, it is a startling anachronism to see an electric light beaming over the Damascus Gate, a telegraph line skirting Mount Zion, a telephone current gliding over the Hill of Evil Counsel, and a locomotive puffing its black smoke through the Valley of Hinnom. These improvements all come from Western Europe, brought hither by Western brains and enterprise. The wise men now-a-days hail from the West.

But we are journeying to Bethlehem, as did the Wise Men of the East, guided by our star, Chaleel, the dragoman. Suddenly our star halts and so do we. We are pointed to a square brick tower sliced o'er with the pale cast of whitewash. This star announces it to be the tomb of Rachel. It is supposed to mark the spot where Jacob's wife died and was buried.

The pathetic scenes all came back as it is beautifully portrayed in Genesis 35:15. We proceeded once more until we reached the nex important point of historical interest—David's Well. Here we stood upon the ground where the invincible old warrior and sweet singer of Israel, famishing with thirst, exclaimed: "Oh, that one would give me to drink of the water of the well of Bethlehem that is by the gate. And to gratify his wish, three of his valorous men broke through the host of the Philistines, and drew water out of the well and brought it to David.

But we are not allowed to tarry. Our star has moved again, and is cantering on a white charger far in the van. Now he has halted. "Hoorry oop," he shouts, and we hurry up or rather down till we reach the place where he restlessly waits to announce that this squatty, ragged, squalid village is Bethlehem!

It is a characteristic Palestine town. Dwarfed houses, flat roofs, narrow streets, ragged children, hungry dogs, half clad Jew and begging Arabs. The streets are inexpressibly dirty. There are no sewers and no hydrants. The board of health consists of a volunteer corps of dogs who devour the filth and garbage which accumulate in the streets. These are not paved or furnished with lights at night. Here is a town that seems to run itself. Eight thousand inhabitants, without any mayor or aldermen or police, so far as we could see. But then there are no saloons either we are told. But you can buy wine in almost any store and almost without money and without price. The main support of this place are the small stores which sell to tourists the trinkets and mementoes of various kinds. Mother-of-pearl penholders, paper cutters, knives, etc., are the staple product.

And now we are facing the centre of all attraction in Bethlehem, the Church of the Nativity which is built on the spot of our Lord's birth. The present church is the remains of the splendid basilica erected by the Empress Helena, mother of Constantine. But now its pristine splendor is vanished and general dilapidation succeeds. Sacred Mecca of thousands of pious pilgrims each year, yet it seems to be slowly falling to ruins. Why is there not interest enough taken to keep so interesting and sacred a building in repair? The solution is simple. The structure is owned in common by three rival sects of Christians—the Greek Catholics the Roman Catholics and the Armenians. These sects are so jealous of each other that they prevent the repair of the church. No two of the sects can agree that the third shall have the honor of repairing it and they will not agree upon the architect to whom the work may be entrusted. This historic and interesting old church is about 120 feet in length divided by Corinthian columns, supporting horizontal architraves, in such fashion that the interior consists of a nave and four aisles.

A striking spectacle as you enter the church is a guard of Turkish soldiers. They have been placed there to keep these Christian (?) sects from tearing each other's eyes out. The Church and the Grotto of the Nativity are parcelled out among the three sects. Each has its own altar and performs services there. Several times there have been fights in the sacred grotto between the various monks in charge. On several occasions the Greeks have stolen the eyes of St. Mary and the teeth of St. Joseph, which were costly jewels set in those respective images. At one time two or three monks were killed in a scrimmage and several others wounded, so that the Turkish government had to put soldiers in there permanently. What a commentary! Emissaries of war, keeping concord in a temple dedicated to the Prince of Peace. It is alleged that the Crimean war took its rise in part from a quarrel over the possession of this same church, and several times the peace of Europe has been threatened by disputes of a few square inches of the floor of the sacred grotto.

Forgetting these things a sense of awe takes hold of you as you meditate on the associations of the place, and that you are treading in the footsteps of tens of thousands of pilgrims who have visited this sacred place during the past eighteen centuries. Now as you look, pilgrims are kneeling at the altars, or seated near the columns; and several monks are guiding strangers around the building. The Romish monks are easily distinguished from the others by their shaven heads, which contrast in a marked degree with the tall hats and bearded faces of the Greeks and Armenians. There are two stairways leading down into the grotto, one used by the Romish Christians and the other by the Greeks and Armenians. Near the foot of the stairway is a niche in the wall of the rock, and in front of it is a marble slab set in the floor, with a silver star in the centre. Inscribed on the star is a Latin legend, which translated reads: "Here Jesus Christ was born of the Virgin Mary." Many pilgrims knelt and kissed it, the monks made obeisance before it. Over the star sixteen silver lamps were burning, and they burn there from the beginning to the end of the year.

There are various shrines near at hand, each marking some sacred spot. This one locates the place where the wooden manger was; this one the place where the Magi worshipped the newborn King. Just a few steps off is the altar of the Innocents, where the victims of the cruel massacre are said to be buried. From here we walked to the Milk Grotto, where, as tradition affirms, the Virgin and the Divine Babe hid themselves before the flight into Egypt. Small cakes mixed with the dust of the rock are eagerly purchased by the devout, who reverently eat them.

Walking out into the sunny air once more, our dragoman pointed out to us the fields where the shepherds were keeping watch over their flocks by night, when suddenly the glory of the Lord shone round about them, and the angelic chorus announced to a weary world that the Redeemer of men was born.—The Christian Intelligencer.

OUR CITY HALL.

The Second State House.

The recent talk of replacing our present City Hall with a modern municipal building has aroused much interest in its historical associations.

The following sketch is taken from an article that appeared in Geer's Hartford City Directory of 1879, and will be of special interest at this time.

The Legislature of 1792 appointed a committee to build a "large con venient State House" of brick, the State agreeing to pay 1500 pounds on condition that the citizens o the town, county, and City of Hartford raise and paid over the same amount to the commissioners by May 1, 1793. This money was raised in sums varying from $25. to $500.

The second State House (now City Hall) in Hartford was ordered to be built in 1792, was completed in 1795, and occupied in 1796. This building cost $52,480, of which the City of Hartford gave $3500. and the county, $1500. It is a building of considerable historical interest. The famous Hartford convention assembled in it on the 15th of December, 1814; and the Constitutional Convention of 1818 met within its walls and adopted our present State Constitution. The distinguished citizen of France and friend of our republic in its struggles for independence, General Lafayette, was received at this State House with distinguished military honors, in 1824. Many presidents of the United States have visited its chambers including Jackson, Monroe, Polk, Johnson, and Grant; and many other distinguished citizens of this and other countries have been received with state courtesies within its walls.

At the May session of 1796 the treasurer and comptroller were authorized to take possession of the offices provided for them in the new State House as soon as the same should be completed and ready for occupancy, and to remove to them the books, files, and documents belonging to their respect ive departments.

The present cupola and balustrade were not built at the time of the construction of the building. The balustrade was put on in 1815, and the cupola was built in 1822-3. Its model was taken from the old City Hall of New York; and access to it was by an iron spiral staircase, which was a wonder and a curiosity in those days, many builders coming from a distance to see it. This spiral staircase wa removed in 1835 in order to make room for the enlargement of the secretary's office; the stairs being placed at the east end of the building. In 1854 the large corridor or lobby was cut off at the east side and the State Library was there established.

In consideration of the money paid by the county of Hartford in aid of the construction of this building, it had the privilege of the Superior Court room in the north wing. On the completion of the new State House, this building went into possession of the City of Hartford, Oct. 26, 1878, and became the City Hall.

CITY HALL, HARTFORD, CONN.

Erected A. D. 1794 and occupied as a State House until 1878. Possession taken by City and remodeled in 1879. Formal dedication as a City Hall October 27, 1879.

Eudamidas, a citizen of Corinth, died in poverty; but, having two wealthy friends, Arctæus and Charixenus, he made a will, in which he bequeathed his family to them, to be taken care as their own. And the two friends accepted the legacy. So Christ has bequeathed to His Church the world to be converted. Let us accept the legacy.--Gotthold's Emblems.

The true test of civilization is, no the census, nor the size of cities, nor the crops--no, but the kind of man the country turns out.--Ralph Waldo Emerson.

REV. C. G. BRISTOL.

The Rev. Cornelius Gardner Bristol, who entered into rest about the time of the setting sun, on November 30th, 1901, was a comparatively young man of fine attainments and great promise.

He was but thirty-eight years of age, and had his life been spared, it would seem that God would have blessed his work still more abundantly. His education eminently fitted him for his high calling, having graduated from Yale University, and later in 1889, from Berkeley Divinity School at Middletown.

The same year he was ordained to the priesthood and became rector of St. Alban's Church, Danielson, Conn., and on September 17, 1893, came to Hartford as rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd.

As a Christian minister he was broad minded, and, although loving the Episcopal church and its services, could see the good qualities of those who differed from him in creed, and made many warm friendships outside his own church.

He held positions of trust in the Church and always ably filled them. As a citizen of Hartford he took a lively interest in its welfare and stood for all that good citizenship implies.

Among those who knew and loved him more directly as rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, he was a faithful and devoted priest and friend. One of his great qualities was that of enlisting others in the works and needs of the parish. His attractive personality drew helpers to his side and willing hands aided and assisted him in the various works of the parish.

His ideas were progressive and for the uplifting and good of all. His attention to small details was also noteworthy. Nothing was too small to be overlooked, and every church service or organiation of a society, was carefully planned. He gave of his time freely. The church membership was largely increased during his rectorship. Among other duties he found time to edit the church paper, "Parish of the Good Shepherd," for the past seven years. His death has caused a deep sorrow to fall upon the church, but God has called him as His good and faithful soldier. C. H. T.

THE OPEN HEARTH.

The increasing cold weather has brought a large number of needy and unfortunate to our doors and the cheerful fire, and opportunities for social enjoyments and reading afforded, is much enjoyed. As many as our present facilities can accommodate are helped to a shelter through the winter nights, each case being examined by Superintendent Miller, in order that no worthy man may be turned away. The meetings held every evening are crowded and the interest manifested is very gratifying. Large numbers have professed their desire of making a change for the better in their lives and are giving evidence that the change is a radical one. Superintendent Miller is busy from morning till night hearing the sad story of misspent lives and exhorting to trust in God and His promises. The addresses are practical and always produce a wish, even in the most hardened, for a better life. Friends of the mission and all our citizens have come to acknowledge the great work done at the Open Hearth. They are giving their hearty support to Superintendent Miller in his efforts to lift the despondent and downhearted to a more full trust in one who can do all things for those who live and trust Him. The branch established at 84 Babcock street is open each Sunday afternoon and an address by Superintendent Miller, with good singing and testimonies, has already filled the room with those who have grown careless and negligent and have seldom attended any religious services. Much good will doubtless be the result. Stereopticon lectures have been given on Friday evenings and have been fully attended.

Contributions of clothing have been received at the Open Hearth from many citizens, for free distribution to the needy, and those who have such articles can be sure that they will be gladly receeivd and given out where they will do much good to the recipients.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The Young Men's Christian Association is just now centering a great deal of its effort in the work of raising its mortgage indebtedness of $240,000. Up to this date $17,000 is pledged on condition that the entire amount be secured and it will be necessary to get the other $7,000 pledged before Jan. 1st to make binding one subscription of $5,000. All friends interested in the advancement of the Young Men's Christian Association are cordially invited to participate in this effort. Subscriptions of any amount will be gratefully received and while the amount must be pledged before Jan. 1st, the payment of the same can be arranged to suit the convenience of the giver.

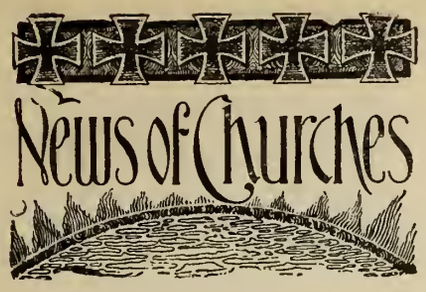
The Opera House meetings for men only are attracting considerable attention and are enabling the Association to reach a very large number of men every week. During the last two months, in the neighborhood of fifty men have been personally dealt with, many having given evidence of their conversion. There have been eight young men recently united with churches as a result of this work. All of the others are being followed up as carefully as possible.

The social committee, in conjunction with the Woman's Auxiliary, is planning to keep open house on Jan. 1st, 1902. A continuous program from 2 to 10 p. m., is being arranged for.

The new plan of work in the Boys' Department is meeting with large success, and gives promise of being the most efficient part of the work of the Association.

There are over 200 students registered in the Hillyer Institute evening classes, which is considered a very good number under the new conditions by which students are admitted.

Mr. A. H. Pomeroy's stock of toys this year excels that of every previous year both in variety and novelty, and Christmas buyers will find a large variety of very acceptable gifts adapted to all ages.



FIRST BAPTIST.

On December 12th, a union prayer meeting of all the Baptist churches was held in our church. A stereopticon lecture on the work of our Home Mission Society was given by the Rev. F. T. Hazlewood, D. D., of Boston.

The Rev. Frank Dixon and our pastor both took part in the Baptist Congress held this month iu New York, the pastor giving one of the two papers, and Mr. Dixon making one of the two addresses on "The Ethics of Gambling."

The usual Thauksgiving prayer meeting was held Wednesday, Nov. 27th. As usual every one attending this service brought with him some gift for a Thanksgiving dinner. Baskets were packed after the service aud on Thursay morning, our Men's Meeting men, directed by Mr. T. H. Day, delivered these baskets to the homes.

The Young Men's League held its first session for the year Wednesday evening, November 20th. Mr. John Nairn spoke after the banquet on Old New Engand Customs. There was music by Miss Palmer and Mr. Erle Rogers, and the pastor also gave a description of a deer hunt iu Maine.

The Union Thanksgiving service was held in the Farmington Avenue Congregational Church, we uniting as in other years, with this church and the Asylum Avenue Congregational and Asylum Avenue Baptist churches.

NORTH METHODIST.

The work for the winter has fairly set in and the church and Sunday-school have shown an improvemeut in interest for some works.

The Christian Endeavor Society recently elected officers, as follows: President, Florence L. Readett; vice-president, Grace W. Harding; secretary and treasurer, Frank H. Waterhouse; corresponding secretary, F. A. Davoll; uuion director, William L. Wilkinson.

The death of Miss Annie Cairns was a sad bereavement both to her family and to the church. She was a faithful and earnest worker and had greatly endeared herself to all by her devotion to her Sunday-school class and to the church in general. The funeral was largely attended from the church, and the many floral tributes around the casket and altar showed the love of her many friends.

The Rev. Joseph Irons, formerly pastor of the church, but now of Atlauta, Ga., was married in that city last week.

The Christmas fair and supper of the church iu Unity Hall, was a great success.

Miss Eva Lyman, assistant teacher in the primary department, was married last week to Mr. Hoskins and will reside iu this city.

The Suuday-school has showed a marked increase and appropriate exercises will be held Christmas week.

The harvest cautata Sunday evening was largely attended and the singing by the choir and the violin playing of Mrs. Dr. Wright, were greatly enjoyed.

ST. JAMES CHURCH.

In spite of the fire, which considerably damaged our church edifice, all the usual services are held and the various societies continue their meetings in the parish rooms. The walls of the church are to be kalsomined a deep red and the ceiling a light brown. In the chaucel blue and gold will prevail.

The small organ is a total wreck and the large one is badly damaged.

Services will probably be resumed in the chucrh on Dec. 15th.

FIRST METHODIST.

Ou Wednesday evening, Dec. 4th, the ladies of the church served a tea from six to eight in the lecture room, following it the Epworth League gave a "Quartered Quotation Social," which was enjoyed by all present. Music was rendered by Miss Mabel Russell, Miss Keyes and Miss Ruth Chapman. Readings were giveu by Mr. W. H. Hipple, Miss Carrie Burlingham and a recitation by Miss Cooley. The next social will be given in January.

A Chautauqua Circle has been organized by the literary department of our Epworth League with a membership of twenty. The value of the Chautauqua course is demonstrated by the fact that three of the members are C. L. S. C. graduates. Miss Clara M. Pierce is president for the year 1901-02. The subjects for study in the current year are Italian and German history and literature. The officers of the League were represented by six delegates at an Epworth League Institute held iu New Haven, Nov. 8th and 9th. The purpose of the Institute was the instruction of League officers in the best methods of fulfilling their duties in the local chapters.

MissMabel Blake has been appointed to membership in the Central Missionary Committee as the representative of Hartford Methodism.

UNITY CHURCH.

The December social was held on the evening of Dec. 4th. A candy pull furnished entertainment for the young people. The Suuday-school has begun preparations for a Christmas entertainment on the evening of Dec. 30th.

Miss Reardon's class of young people have taken up the "Study of the Sects" by Rev. W. H. Lyon, and finds it an interesting continuatiou of their study of "Beacon Lights of Christian History," which they took last year. The class is growing in interest and popularity and has a large attendance.

WETHERSFIELD AVE. CONGREGATIONAL.

The improvements that were started ou our church are progressing rapidly. The addition is nearly completed and was used last week for the first time. Sunday morning, Dec. 8th, our regular preaching service was held there and also the Sunday-school, the church being all toru up in preparation for the new carpet, organ and seats that are to be put iu. It is to be hoped that these will be in and the church in order by Christmas, so that our usual Christmas services can be held there.

The Ladies Aid Society gave a social Friday afternoon and evening, Dec. 6th. A quilt was made in the afternoon and an excellent supper was served in the evening.

TRINITY CHURCH, WETHERSFIELD.

The new seats which have been put in for the choir are much appreciated.

The Colonial Supper which was held two evenings last month in the Parish House was a financial success.

Saturday evening, Nov. 16th, a meeting of the Sunday-school teachers and officers was held. Missionary reports were read and an instructive talk given by Mr. Rieland. It was agreed that a similar meeting be held the last Saturday evening of each month through the ensuing year. The question of an entertainment for the children of the Suuday-school at their annual Christmas festival was discussed. The following committee was appointed to have charge of the entertainment: Mrs. DeLamater, Hanmer, Hills, Rieland, Stratton, and Watkinson and Misses Case, Decker, Holway, Story, Warner and Williams. It was decided to have the services for the Suuday-school the Sunday afternoon after Christmas and the Christmas tree, distribution of

gifts, etc., and entertainment, on the eve of the feast of Holy Innocents. Mr. Furnival was appointed treasurer of this committee.

The Sunday-school sorrows over the loss of one of its most faithful members, Charlie Carlson, who was drowned in the Cove Saturday, Nov. 30th. We miss the bright face of this boy who was so regular in his attendance and so attentive to the Sunday-school instructions. The funeral was held last Sunday afternoon at his late residence on the Common. Our pastor, Mr. Rieland, officiated. Besides the many floral tributes from relatives and friends was a wreath of pink and white roses from the Sunday-school and a large bunch of white and yellow chrysanthemums tied with white ribbon, from the boy's teacher.

GRACE CHURCH, WINDSOR.

The rector, Mr. Harriman, and wife, returned from the General Convention at San Francisco, early in November and reported a delightful trip both going and coming across the continent. The congregation is enjoying sermons touching upon the great questions considered there.

The Christmas sale, held Dec. 4th and 5th, by the Sisters of Bethany, netted about $100.

Plans for trimming the church for Christmas and for the children's tree are under way, Mr. Clarence Bryant having been appointed to direct the decoration of the church.

Needed repairs upon the basement of the Parish House are being considered.

SUFFIELD STREET BAPTIST.

Our ladies' sewing society, called the Dorcas Society has begun its winter work. They have been helping the Juniors to make clothes for a barrel to be sent to our mission school at Beaufort, S. C. The barrel was sent Dec. 12th, and contained many useful and pretty articles. There were many games given by friends, and a dozen dolls, pretty ones, too, given by friends and dressed by our Juniors. A great deal of interest has been taken by all in this work.

The Juniors are in charge of Miss Grace Knox and Miss Edna Twiss. They are planning for more work the first of the year.

Our Christmas music has begun, and we hold rehearsals at different times and places for the different groups of singers, the children, young ladies and our regular choir. The Sunday before Christmas the Sunday-school will have no regular lesson, the recitations and singing taking the place of the usual order of service. Some very good music will be given both evenings, the Sunday before and the Sunday after Christmas day. We hope a large attendance will reward the choir for its work.

WETHERSFIELD BAPTIST.

Our Sunday-school and church are grieving over the death by drowning of Leroy, the youngest son of our Deacon H. L. Lankton. He was a promising lad of thirteen years, loved by all. A great loss with him was another bright boy, once a member of our school, who also was drowned. Two homes, side by side almost, are filled with a great sorrow.

Our pastor, Rev. Mr. Elsdon, is away doing evangelistic work.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

It is with sad regret that we record here the death of our beloved rector, he having entered into rest November 30th. On Sunday morning, Dec. 1st, at the regular service, the Rev. H. Lilienthal paid a loving tribute to the late Rector, Cornelius Gardner Bristol, who was a classmate of his at Berkeley Divinity School. He spoke of the noble life the Rector had led and the high esteem in which he was held by all who knew him.

The funeral service was held Tuesday morning, Dec. 3rd. It was a beautiful and impressive service. There were about sixty of the Episcopal clergy as well as a large number of clergy of other denominations present. The church and chapel were filled with sorrowing friends. The chancel and windows of the church were filled with beautiful flowers from friends and societies. The interment was at Milford, Conn., the former home of the Rector.

Dr. Hart conducted the service Sunday morning, Dec. 8th. He read a message from Mrs. Bristol expressing her deep appreciation of the sympathy and kindness of parishioners and other friends in her bereavement. His sermon was on the advent season and was an able address on the coming of Christ.

The meetings of societies in the Memorial building were omitted during the week ending Dec. 7th. Meetings were resumed Monday, Dec. 9th, the Daughters of the King meeting on that evening and the Girls' Friendly Society on Tuesday evening.

The Men's League will have its regular monthly meeting Thursday, Dec. 19th, at the Memorial building.

The Christmas service and Sunday-school carol service and festival will be bereft of the presence of our Rector this year. His presence was always looked for and brightened the service and festival.

The entertainment given Nov. 20th netted about $100. This money will be used toward purchasing a piano for the Memorial building.

The Parish paper will be issued the latter part of this month.

SOUTH BAPTIST.

An entertainment under the auspices of the Junior King's Daughters was given in the chapel, Friday evening, November 29th. The elocutionist of the evening was Mrs. Maude Houston Adams, who gave several pleasing numbers. Selections were rendered by the Bacon Banjo Quintet Club, all of which were much enjoyed.

The ushers were young ladies, members of the circle.

The Woman's Missionary Society and the Ladies Benevolent Society held a meeting Friday afternoon, Dec. 6th. Officers for the Missionary Society were chosen for the following year. A lunch followed the exercises and an enjoyable afternoon was spent.

The "Whatsoever Circle" of King's Daughters met with Mrs. Dixon Wednesday evening, Dec. 4th. After the usual exercises of the meeting the members proceeded to the work of the evening, that of making candy bags for the Christmas tree of the Sunday-school.

Our Christian Endeavor Society is waking up to the fact that there is personal work to be done, by way of extending invitations to others who are not members of the society, to attend our weekly meeting, Sunday p. m., at 6:15.

We believe we cannot longer "live to ourselves," but that work of this kind not only helps us individually, but may, and we trust will, win others "for Christ and the church."

OLIVET BAPTIST.

On Nov. 15th, our C. E. Society gave a musical entertainment. We charged only ten cents admission and realized $9.95.

Our Evangeline Circle gave their annual sale and supper Nov. 22nd. The net proceeds of the affair amounted to $55.

On Sunday, Dec. 8th, the Clan Gordon, O. S C., attended our church in a body to hear an address by the pastor on "St. Andrew," the patron saint of Scotland. The rooms were nearly full, about one hundred and fifty being present.

Our Sunday-school will give its regular Christmas concert as usual.

Some of the Juniors of the C. E. have joined the older society.

FARMINGTON AVENUE CONGREGATIONAL.

As Christmas draws near we find the Chinese Sunday-school planning its annual entertainment for Dec. 23d.

This year we are to have a Christmas tree, beside the usual customary manner of entertaining our Chinese scholars.

We learn with regret that two of our superintendents in the Chinese Sunday-school are to sever their connection with us at the end of this year for which we are deeply sorry. Both have been the means of building it np and making it a great help to our Chinese brothers. May He who assures us that "all things work together for good," enable us to find some one to take up this work and carry it on, as faithfnlly as these former workers have been doing.

Mr. S. H. Alvord led the Christian Endeavor meeting Dec. 8th, and his talk showed careful preparation.

On Wednesday evening, Dec. 11th, the qnarterly business meeting of our C. E. Society will be held at the home of Mr. J. C. Bidwell, cn Ashley street.

Friday, Dec. 13th, the Ladies Home Missionary Society meets in the church parlors at 2 p. m. At 6 p. m., supper will be served. Price 25 cents. Proceeds to be used for the work of society.

On Christmas Sunday, Dec. 22nd, the church choir, assisted by a chorus of sixteen voices, will render Stewart's church oratorio, "The Nativity," at 7:30 p m.

The annual parish reception will be held New Year's day. The following ladies will serve on the committee: Mrs. D. A. Rood, Mrs. W. F. Altemus, Mrs. E. B. Dillingham, Mrs. H. H. Goodwin, Mrs. W. P. Robertson, Mrs. Frank Rnssell, Mrs Z. A. Storrs, Mrs Geo. H. Stoughton and Mrs. James Wyper.

ST. PAUL'S METHODIST.

The Ladies' Aid Society conducted a very successful bazaar on the evenings of Dec. 4th, 5th and 6th. The proceeds to be applied npon their pledge of fifteen hundred dollars toward the bnilding fund.

Mr. Paul Everett is reorganizing our choir, the vacant seats are filling up and a marked improvement in the singing was noticeable from the first.

Mrs. Clara Merrill has felt compelled, by lack of time, to resign after a year's faithfnl and very efficient service as superintendent of the Junior League.

Miss Alice Rowbotham also resigns as organist, which position she has filled very acceptably for a long time.

Mr. William J. Jamieson becomes superintendent and Miss Genevieve L. Hertzler, and Miss Carrie Adair, assistant superintendents.

Forty-four boys and girls were pres the first Sunday under the new regime, and the outlook for the Juniors is bright.

Mr. Percy E. Shoemaker and a capable committee have charge of arrangements for the Christmas festivities. Santa Claus will visit St. Paul's this year on Christmas eve, Dec. 24th, and distribute presents to the children. A fine cantata will be presented by the committee in charge on Snnday evening, Dec. 29th.

The Rev. Charles H. Buck, D. D., spoke of his travels in the Orient, especially of Ceylon, on Snnday evening, Dec. 8th. A large and appreciative andience listened for an honr to his interesting address.

MEMORIAL BAPTIST.

A new meet ng has been instituted, the Snnday-school prayer-meeting. It is held every Friday evening and is in charge of our pastor. These meetings are very informal and pleasant and of special interest to the children.

The semi-annual business meeting of the B. Y. P. U., for election of officers, will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 10th. The children of the Sunday-school are preparing a cantata for the Christmas entertainment.

WARBURTON CHAPEL.

During the winter the Italian congregation, which meets on Snndays at the Morgan street mission, will hold its mid-week prayer meeting on Thursday evenings in Warburton chapel.

This has been brought abont because the Morgan street building is used during the week for night school purposes and also to interest the many Italians who have recently settled in our neighborhood.

On Dec. 1st, Sec'y S. B. Rossiter, of the McAll mission, addressed the school upon the work of that society in France. Onr offerings during September are devoted to that purpose.

Snnday, Dec. 8th, our offering was for the Northfield Seminary, and the Sunday before the offering was given for the Home for Little Wanderers in Boston.

The second Snnday-school concert for this season will be given Sunday evening, Dec. 15th, at which time there will be an address by Mr. Edward C. Perkins.

The Thanksgiving mother's meeting was largely attended by both the mothers of the kindergarten and the Sunday-school children.

The Girls Club had an enjoyable gathering and supper, Monday evening, Nov. 18th.

On Wednesday, Dec. 4th, the Girls' Club gave an entertainment for the benefit of the Chapel Improvement Fund.

The annual sale of cake and fancy articles was held on Saturday, Dec. 7th. Luncheon was served at noon.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

It was our pleasure to grant the use of our baptistry to a neighboring mission, Sunday, Dec. 1st.

A union service was held as we had one candidate of our own to serve.

The Sunday-school workers are preparing for the holiday concert at present, while the immediate futnre holds the semi-annual business meeting of the Loyal Workers' Society, which occurs Dec. 13th.

The Women's Home and Foreign Mission Society have been preparing barrels of supplies for needy ministers in the South

Recently a few friends have presented our pastor with what has long been the desire of his heart, a typewriter. The presentation speech was made by Mr. H. W. Fuller.

WINDSOR METHODIST.

The concert given by the Glee and Mandolin Clnbs of Wesleyan University, in the Town Hall, Nov. 22nd, was greatly enjoyed by the large number that attended. It was successful also financially.

Thanksgiving day was observed by the Congregational and Methodist Episcopal Churches in a union service held in the Congregational Church, the pastor of the Methodist Episcopal chnrch preaching the sermon.

Extra religious services were held during the month of November, in which several of the neighboring clergymen participated and rendered excellent service, namely, Nov. 18th, Rev. D. W. Howell; Nov. 19th, Rev. Dr. E. A. Blake; Nov. 20th, Rev. W. F. Taylor; Nov. 21st, Rev. Dr. C. B. Pitblado; Nov 29th, Rev. Wm. M. Carr, accompanied by his praying band.

The Ladies Aid Society will serve snpper in the lecture room of church on Wednesday, Dec. 11th.

A Christmas sermon will be delivered by the pastor Sunday, Dec. 22d, and in the evening the Sunday-school will give a Christmas concert. The Sunday-school Christmas tree will be enjoyed on Friday, the 27th.

A "watch-night" service will be held Tuesday evening, Dec. 31st, beginning at 9:30 o'clock, and continuing until the advent of 1902.

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THE MINISTERING CHRIST.

The advent of the child Jesus in Bethlehem nineteen hundred years ago was a matter of supreme importance to earth's millions, and the new dispensations which he personified, both in regard to man's relations to God and to his fellows, were truly startling.

For one thing consider, that for once in the history of the world One proclaims that it is more blessed to give than to receive, and throughout His whole life exemplifies His own words. When before was such a One seen? Always before, the aim of the individual was to secure benefits for himself or his family. By brute force, —by skillful trading,—by honest labor, too,—by hook or crook,—his constant aim was to secure an abundance for himself, and little consideration he had for the needs of others. And this condition of affairs was practically universal.

Against such a background the words of Christ appeared like the handwriting on the wall and His life was luminous by constrast. He came to minister and not to be ministered unto. He came to save and to serve. And throughout His life of entire devotion to others, who can deny, though indeed we call Him the Man of Sorrows, that His joys were as great and more lasting than His sorrows?

It it truly more blessed to give than to receive, as all have found who have tested that precept. There's more true happiness in it. There's a more abundant and eternal reward.

Of Christ's ministry we can all partake. It is not necessarily a matter of priestly orders, of laying on of hands or of formal ordination. But it is a matter of comforting the sorrowing, feeding the hungry, healing those who are sick in soul or body, bringing love and sunshine into cheerless hearts and leading them heavenward.

Such is the ministry of Christ to which we are called. Well for us if the Christmas season, and every other season as well, finds us engaged in such service.

The natural man lives to be ministered unto. He lays his imposts upon others. He buys slaves that they may fan him to sleep, bring him the jewelled cup, dance before him, and die in the arena for his sport. Into such a world came a King, "not to be ministered unto, but to minister." The rough winds fanned His sleep. He drank of the mountain brook, and made not water wine for Himself; would not use His power to stay His own hunger, but had compassion on the multitude. Here is the perfect altruism; here is the true appraisal of men. Ornaments of gold and gems, silken robes, houses and lands, stocks and bonds, these are all tare when men are weighed. Where else is there a scale so true? Where a brotherhood so wide and perfect. Labor is made noble. The King credits the smallest service. His values are relative. He takes account of the per cent when tribute is brought to His treasury. No coin of love is base or small to Him. The widow's mite He sets in His crown. Life is sweetened; the poor man becomes of account.—Benjamin Harrison.

MIS-SPENT ENDEAVOR.

As the year draws near its close it may not be unprofitable for us to spend a little time in reflection. Truly, what is past is beyond recall, but if errors have been made, they may not be beyond remedy, and if we will only profit by them, the coming year will be so much the better.

How have we spent the time which has been given us? Has each day counted? Has each hour, each minute? Surely, as the hands have moved round the face of the dial, they must have recorded many periods of time by us mis-spent, or wasted. And yet, with infinite time before us, we cannot recall one moment of the hours which have passed.

And how have we spent the strength which has been given us? Has every heart beat counted and every effort been expended in the direction of useful and productive endeavor? Or have we vainly striven at this or that? Without reflection, without preparation, without seeking Divine guidance, we have tried, earnestly perhaps, but ineffectually, to accomplish tasks which were never meant for us to perform.

If the minutes are to count, and the strength is to count, the life must be well ordered and divinely guided. The longest life occupies but a moment of the great infinity of time. How important then is it to make the fractions of that moment yield their most

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Because I spent the strength Thou gavest me
In struggle which Thou never didst ordain,
And have but dregs of life to offer Thee—
O Lord, I do repent.—Williams.

The first meeting of the annual convention of "The Girls Friendly Society" was held in Washington on Monday, Nov. 18th. The object of the association is the care and spiritual development of girls of the ages of from twelve to eighteen, a period during which the young ladies who compose the organization believe especial help should be extended to their younger sisters.

The Board of Street Commissioners has ordered the removal of the express stand nuisance by May 1, 1902. This may prove a move in the right direction, but many are skeptical as to the outcome of this long range order. But it is greatly to be hoped that this long standing nuisance may be effectually abated by the date set. The foul odors from the horses and the profanity and disorderly conduct of some of the expressmen, has been endured long enough.

The taking away of Rev. Mr. Bristol, at what seemed to be almost the beginning of a useful career, is a part of Divine Providence which we cannot understand, but which we must accept as for the best.

The personality of the man was a most winning one—modest, earnest

and lovable. As pastor of the Church of the Good Shepherd, his loss will be keenly felt. As a citizen, he represented a type which any community can least afford to lose.

The Young Men's Christian Association is making a heroic effort to lift its mortgage encumbrance of $24,000. Of this, $17,000 has been pledged, but a part of it on the condition that the entire amount is raised by Jan. 1st. It is to be hoped that a generous response will be made by the community to the call for the balance of $7,000.

Church activities are now in full swing and the social features of church work are not likely tc be overlooked. It is to be hoped they will not be, for they have an entirely proper and legitimate place of their own.

But care must be taken not to let them interfere with the spiritual life of the church, for too often has it happened, that a promising revival of spiritual life has been nipped in the bud by a church entertainment.

In making dates for socials or entertainments, consult the pastor first of all, and if he counsels a postponement, accept his judgment in the matter, with the assurance that he has only the best interest of the church at heart.

Hartford has had all the notoriety at home and abroad that it needs, and it is devoutly to be hoped, that Mayor Harbison will have enough respect for the reputation of this city and its people, to refuse further licenses to prize fights, under whatever name they may be termed.

All temperance people ought to claim exemption from taxation which is necessary to support the jails, asylums, etc., made necessary by drink. Let the traffic bear it.

Steps have been taken toward building a new and more commodious edifice for the Grace Reformed Church at Washington, at which President Roosevelt is an attendant.

The recent investigations which settled once for all the question as to whether the church members of Hartford hold saloon property, was conducted by an expert, who examined the records to get the exact facts. This entailed several months of labor. The pastors at whose request the investigation was held, and who all preached on the result of that investigation on the same Sunday, are as follows: The Rev. Ernest Miel of Trinity Church, Rev. C. G. Bristol of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Rev. R. H. Potter of the Center Church, Rev. W. W. Ranney of the Park Church, Rev. H. Peabody of the Windsor Avenue Church, and Rev. Harold Pattison of the First Baptist Church.

WOMAN'S WORK

WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

The severe storm of Dec. 3rd, the date of the last meeting of the W. C. T. U. was a disappointment to members who had hoped to hear the report of Pres. Mrs. C. B. Forbes of the late National Convention held at Fort Worth, Texas. To the few present a partial report was given, to be repeated more fully at our next session on Dec. 17th. We are glad that "The Federation of Churches" is investigating forces in the city that have to do with its morals and therefore with the welfare of our youth.

On Sunday evening, Dec. 15th, Maj. George F. Hilton will give an address for the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in the First Baptist Church. Subject: "The Revenue of Ruin." A large attendance is earnestly desired.

YOUNG WOMEN'S BRANCH WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN ASS'N.

Our work here is only a month old, so there is very little to report. A class in physical culture has been started, meeting Monday nights in Jewell Hall. Twenty-four young women have joined this class and there is still opportunity for more to join if they desire. A class in cooking is to begin very soon and this is open to all young women.

Our membership at present numbers 52 and we are gaining gradually. We are very anxious to have all the young women of our churches identify themselves with this movement and give us the support of their sympathy.

The Girls' Branch, for girls under 16, is beginning its third year successfully. We are busy now in our plans for Christmas, which is the important event of the year in the eyes of the children.

This work is carried on in clubs and classes, numbering twelve in all. There are classes in sewing, embroidery, cooking, basket weaving, painting, music, and games.

The Fidelity club at its last meeting listened to a very interesting talk on Venice.

Ninety different girls attend the Branch, and the average is about 20 each day. Visitors are always welcome.

BUSINESS AND PLEASURE.

"I can tell you," said he, "how much water runs over Niagara Falls to a quart."

"How much?" asked she.

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ADDITIONAL CHURCHES.

GLENWOOD CONGREGATIONAL.

The Sunday-school has appointed a committee to make arrangements for the Christmas festivities.

On Dec. 11th, the Ladies' Society held its annual sale and supper, which proved a great success.

A mission study class has been formed holding meetings three Sunday evenings a month in place of the regular C. E. lessons. All are invited to join the class. For particulars see the pastor.

On Nov. 27th, a musical entertainment was given under the auspices of the C. E. Society. Owing to the date very few were present, but all who were, onjoyed the evening very much. This winter is to be one of work in the church and we hope that it will be the most successful also.

Our Sunday-school reception was very well attended and all enjoyed the helpful talk of Mr. Spooner.

We are in hopes of having some new members join our church at our next communion, Jan. 4th, 1902.

Steps have been taken to give a pleasing entertainment the last of January, by the C. E. Society. We hope all will take hold and make it a grand success.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, WEST HARTFORD.

The Thursday evening service, Nov. 21st, was under the management of the Junior Auxiliary Society, Miss Helen Whitman preparing the program, the subject of which was "Alaska."

Rev. Mr. Traver of the Baptist church preached the sermon at the morning service, Thanksgiving day.

On Wednesday evening, Nov. 27th, a "Proverb Social" was given by the C. E. Society, each person present representing in some way a proverb. A prize was given to the one guessing the smallest number. This contest was followed by shadow pictures, after which games were played and college songs sung.

The Men's Union held a mock constitutional convention in the lecture room of the church Friday evening, Dec. 6th, and discussed and adopted a constitution after a debate of nearly an hour and a half. A. C. Sternberg, president of the Union, opened the meeting and after inviting those not members to join in the mutnal benefit it would be to them, announced the convention and it was carried out pro forma, with every attention to parliamentary usage. Members of the Union represented delegates from various towns of the state.

At the meeting of the C. E. Society, Dec 1st, officers for the ensuing year were elected.

Professor Geer is to conduct a mission study class once a month, this to take the hour of the regular C. E. meeting of that evening, copies of the book to be used by the class can be ordered through the pastor or the officers of the society.

At the Thursday evening service, Dec. 5th, it was voted by those present that the church continue to support for another year our missionary, Rev. Harry G. Bissell, of Ahmednagar, India. A committee was appointed to collect the funds which are raised entirely by voluntary contributions.

TRINITY CHURCH.

The Girls' Friendly Society recently held a sale in the parish room with an entertainment in the chapel, which netted a larger sum than ever before for this work.

Messrs. Bulkley, of Trinity college, and Witton have been added to the official staff of the Sunday-school and Mrs. Sedgwick to the corps of teachers.

Our efficient secretary, Mr. Walter A. Mitchell, has left us to accept a position in New York city. At the close of the last session the rector made a few remarks commending his faithful services. A vote wishing him Godspeed and success was unanimonsly passed.

A committee has in hand plans for the Christmas treat for the evening after Christmas. The festival service will be held the following Sunday by the school, at which time the banners will be awarded.

Thanksgiving Day Professor Luther of Trinity college, conducted the services, assisted by Rev. Francis Goodwin, and preached the sermon. The offering that day went for the support of the Church Home on Retreat avenue.

Evenings during Advent the rector speaks on the following subjects in order: Death, Judgment, Hell and Heaven.

FOURTH CONGREGATIONAL.

As usual the children of the Sunday-school had a brief service Thanksgiving Day. Gifts were brought to prepare dinners for poor families and several good substantial dinners were sent out.

The Sunday-school is to have an entertainment at Christmas, in addition to the Christmas service, on Sunday, Dec. 22nd. The primary department will meet for their tree and entertainment some afternoon of Christmas week and in the evening the intermediates and juniors will meet for a good time, when a cantata will be presented and some other entertainment furnished.

At the church social, Firday evening, Dec. 6th, there was a large attendance, a pleasant entertainment was furnished by members of the congregation. Mr. and Mrs. Ranney and Mrs. Searle sang, Mr. Mucklow gave a reading and Mr. Libby, an elocutionist, gave several selections. The ladies served refreshments.

The teachers' monthly teas are proving quite successful this fall. The plan has been adopted of using the hour for normal work. Professor Nourse spoke one evening upon "The Religious Significance of Genesis", Mr. Backus gave a general talk upon the Bible, and at the last tea, Miss Dougherty spoke upon "Some Fnndamental Requisites for Successful Teaching."

The Mission Study Class of the C. E. Society uses as the text book this winter, Miss Hodgkins "Via Christe."

Thecustom of having office hours at the church has been resumed again, and some one may be found in the office between the hours of three and four on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons.

Thursday evening, Dec. 12th, Miss Harriet E. Walden will be present at the prayer meeting to speak upon the Home Department work of the Snnday-school. Miss Walden is state superintendent of this work.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN.

The Central Ladies' Society, the South End Sewing Circle and the West End Sewing Society united in giving a sale and supper at the Y. M. C. A. building, Wednesday, Dec. 4th, which was largely atended and very successful. Quite a large snm was realized to go toward the church debt.

Rev. Juanita Beckenridge Bates of Ithaca, N. Y., sister of the pastor of the church, preached for us Sunday, Nov. 10th.

Both departments of the Sunday-school are planning interesting exercises for Christmas. On the Sunday before Christmas in the evening, the school will render a Christmas carol service.

WINDSOR CONGREGATIONAL.

Our observance of Christmas will be according to the following program: The Sunday before Christmas the choir will give a Christmas cantata at the morning service; the Sunday after Christmas there will be a responsive service; Christmas afternoon there will be a sociable for the children and Christmas evening a sociable for the older ones.

WINDSOR AVE. CONGREGATIONAL.

The topic for our Thursday evening meetings during December is "Foreshadowings of Christ in the Old Testament."

Our pastor, Rev. Harry E. Peabody, exchanged pulpits Sunday, Nov. 17th, with our former pastor, Rev. Harry R. Miles of Burlington, Vt.

A Mission Study Class has been formed in the church to meet Sunday evenings at 6:30, under the direction of Mr. Stanley of the Seminary.

The Ladies Aid Society have recently sent a barrel of clothing to a hom missionary in California.

The Sunday-school teachers wil hold a tea Thursday evening, at 5:30, after which a discussion of Sunday-school work will take place.

Plans are being made for the Christmas entertainment of the school, which will be given the Friday after Christmas.

A choir has been formed in the Sunday-school to help in the singing.

The Christian Endeavor bible class is well attended and much interest is taken in the lessons.

The Willing and Kind Circle of the King's Daughters have sent five hundred Christmas cards to Bulgaria to be used by a missionary there in her work among the children.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, EAST HARTFORD.

The death of Mrs. Francis Williams, removes one of our most earnest members. In spite of the infirmities of age she retained her active interest and support of all the work of the church up to the end of her life, and was nearly always in her place at church and Sunday-school, and in the other organizations of which she was an efficient member. She will be very greatly missed.

The officers of the Sunday-school for the ensuing year are as follows: Sup't., C. Henry Olmsted; ass't., H. B. Williams; lady assistants, Annie E. Olmsted, Mrs. J. R. Tucker and Lillie M. Huntting; Sec., Mary S. Burnham; treas., W. S. Burnham; librarian, C. H. Williams; registrar, R. S. Gaines.

The Good Works committee held a very successful cake and candy sale last month adding a goodly sum to its treasury.

A largely attended and pleasant reception was given to our pastor and his wife last month. An excellent musical program was given. Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Tuthill were assisted by Rev. and Mrs. G. A. Bowman and others. The affair was under the auspices of the social committee of the C. E. Society.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL.

The Sunday-school is doing excellent work under the management of Mr. Talmadge.

The young people's meeting is held at 5:10 p. m. every Sunday. Everybody is inivted to attend.

On Sunday, Dec. 8th, the Young People's Society listened to a very interesting paper by Mr. Lillard. The subject was "Up from Slavery." He touched on all sides of the subject and brought clearly before the audience the needs of the colored people in the South.

Teacher's meetings are held every Thursday at 7 p. m., followed by social worship at 7:45 p. m.

Sunday, Dec. 8th, Mr. Potter preached at Amherst college.

A new class has been started for the purpose of training teachers for the Sunday-school.

The pastor, Mr. R. H. Potter, will preside at the next meeting of the Young People's Society. All may be sure of an interesting talk.

NEW BRITAIN AVE. MISSION.

Committees have been appointed for the Christmas festival. On New Year's night Santa Claus is expected. The primary exercises will take place the next evening. In consequence, the prayer meeting will be omitted that week.

Miss Fanny Strong, of Vernon street, gave a musical and literary entertainment Friday evening, Dec. 6th, under the auspices of the King's Daughters.

The Ladies Aid gave a variety supper on the 13th, in connection with a sale of fancy articles.

Our speakers the past few weeks have been Rev. Mr. Hart of West Hartford, Rev. E. B. Forbes, who preached his annual Thanksgiving sermon and Mr. Robert Fulton of the Seminary, who continued a part of his lecture on Jerusalem. The concluding part we hope to hear in the near future, as the lecture has been intensely interesting. Mr. B. N. B. Miller of the Open Hearth has also addressed us.

The Smith & Clapp Grocery Co., a newly organized concern, formerly known as the Guilfoil Grocery Co., now includes in the company Mr. Hyman F. Smith, Mr. Leslie T. Clapp and Mr. H. M. Adams. The new company is well managed and carries a large and choice stock of groceries, including among those especially seasonable, fruits, nuts, spices, citron, vegetables, cheese, confectionery, etc. A trial order given the new concern will insure satisfaction.

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Brockman's Maverick. By Joseph N. Quail. 256 pages, 12 mo. New York: Quail & Warner. Price $1.25.

The "Maverick" in this story is a boy befriended by Brockman, a cattleman of the far western plains. It is not a boy's story, however, but redolent of typical frontier life at a time when the buffalo still lived in great numbers, when the Indians were in constant quest of s alps, and when justice was meted without any such formalities as courts and lawyers.

There is much of pathos in this romance of the plains and there is much powerful description of vivid scenes.

Life Everlasting. By John Fiske. 87 pages, 16 mo. Boston: Houghton, Mifflin & Co. Price $1.00 net.

This is a lecture delivered on the evening of December 19, 1900 in Cambridge at the request of Harvard University. The publishers assert that it was intended as a continuation of his philosophic studies successively issued under the titles, "The Destiny of Man," "The Idea of God," and "Through Nature to God."

This is a remarkably clear, brilliant and logical working out of principles and theories of great originality and suggestiveness. It seems to give the final answer to scientific scepticism as to a future life.

The Message of the College to the Church. By Prof. Francis G. Peabody and Presidents Wm. DeW. Hyde, Arthur T. Hadley, Franklin Carter, George Harris, and Wm. Jewett Tucker. 120 pages, 12 mo. Boston: The Pilgrim Press. Price 75 cents net.

In Lent of 1901 there were delivered at the Old South Church in Boston addresses by representatives of Harvard, Yale, Dartmouh, Williams, Bowdoin, and Amhers colleges. These addresses have been collected and are here presented under the title above.

The various questions associated with college and church life are considered by the distinguished authors of the book from varions points of view.

The Devil's Plough. By Anna Farquhar. 34 pages, 12 mo. Boston: L. C. Page & Co. Price $1.50.

The chief character in this story, Gaston L'Artanges, is a priest who opposes himself to certain regulations of his order. Remorseful, he comes to "New France" and in his life here expiates his errors.

The story is of a moral conflict as will be seen, yet throughout its course there are physical conflicts, wars of words, and much excitement of various kinds. The time of the story is during the regency of Anne of Austria and the chief incidents occur at the French court.

Till the Doctor Comes and How to Help Him. By George H. Hode, M .D., M. R. C. S. E. 153 pages, 16 mo. New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons. Price $1.00.

This book, brought out first in 1871, has been revised and largely re-written by Mary Mitchell Kydd, M D. It is something of great practical value and will be consulted often by most who possess a copy.

Hints and practical advice in regard to nearly all of the common accidents and maladies are given in compact, easily read and easily understood form —eminently a volnme of wich it might be said: "It should be in every household."

The Story of King Alfred. By Walter Besant. 187 pages, 16 mo. New York: D. Appleton & Co. Price 35c.

This is the latest volume issued in the well known "Library of Useful Stories" and was probably also the last work of the deceased author.

It is a carefnl sifting of all the known records of Alfred's life and career. The real is studiously presented without the ideal or the legendary. Though a very small volume and published in an unpretentious form, it is very likely to become a standard life of the great king.

Verses. By Helen R. Hamersley Stickney. 125 pages, 16 mo. New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons. Price $1.00.

The sentiments brought out in this attractive little volume are earnest ones, thoughtful, high in tone. The verses are all well worth while even though one finds a few which are not entirely graceful and smooth.

"A Winter Scene" is a poem of much force and beauty. This may be said also of "The Evening Star." Most of the versesare religions in tone.

Sermons by the Monday Club on the International Snnday-School Lessons for 1902. 388 pages, 12 mo. Boston: The Pilgrim Press.

This is the twenty-seventh edition of a work that is widely and favorably known. Each year for many years this volume has appeared regularly. Its contents inclnde a sermon by a well-known preacher on each of the Sunday-school lessons for the year. Thirty-one well known preachers fnrnish the sermons for the coming year.

To live in such a time as ours, in the centre of its marvelous achievements, in the thick of its unsurpassed opportunities, and proclaim the everlasting gospel of the happy God, whose potetial spell is to conquer sin and redeem the race, is to confront a chance snblime enough to tempt the angels. It is the golden age for world-building. Never was man more evidently a coworker with God. With an eloquence which must thrill faith and inspire hope the King is saying: "Go ye into the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."---James J. Vance, D. D.

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

HARTFORD UNION NOTES.

The Executive Committee are at present perfecting plans to give the prisoners at Wethersfield a musical and literary entertainment on Christmas morning, and thus bring them nearer a realization of the fact that we want to help them to have as pleasant a Christmas as they can under the circumstances.

The Executive Committee will meet Tuesday, Dec. 10th, at 4:30 p. m., instead of the evening of that day, as was first planned. Place of meeting, Dr. Munger's office, Sage, Allen building.

The Juniors of the Hartford Christian Endeavor Union will hold their Autumn Rally on Saturday afternoon, Dec. 24th, at 2:30 in the South Baptist church. Mr. J. W. Logan of Meriden, state superintendent Junior work, will address the Juniors and it is to be hoped all seniors and friends of the Union will join them in this meeting.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

Dear Fellow Endeavorers:

For the last two years we have been unfortunate in not having a Junior Sup't. We are thankful that this year we have an active worker in ths important position.

Every one of our churches needs a Junior Society. Has your church one? If not, why not?

A rally of the Junior Societies will be held Saturday, Dec. 14th, at the South Baptist church. Mr. John Logan of Meriden, Sup't of Junior Work of the State Union, will address the children.

Our union will give the prisoners at Wethersfield an entertainment on Christmas morning. If you have some talented person in your society or church who is willing to help us that morning please let me know.

A number of our societies are forming Mission Study classes. Has your society done this or is it going to soon? I hope it is or has, for I believe that more will be done for the cause of missions in this way than by many missionary addresss.

I am glad that I can say that I see signs of renewed vigor in many of our societies.

Yours in C. E.,
EDWIN H. MUNGER,
President.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS.

(From the Presbyterian C. E. Manual.)

Dec. 15.—The Imperialism of Christianity. Dan. 2: 44, 45. Suggested sub-topic: What our denomination is doing to extend the kingdom.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

The enlarging of lives enlarges the kingdom.

The King of kings is jealous of his own honor.

False subjects are a king's worst enemies.

There can be no permanent defeats for the kingdom.

The kingdom will one day be omnipresent because the King is omnipotent.

When we admit God's sovereignty over ourself, we help to extend his sway over others.

Dec. 22.—Our Gifts to our King. Matt. 2:1-12.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

Our King cares more for good givers than for good gifts.

Christ is King; therefore we owe him tribute.

Loyalty may be given by the least.

Every sacrifice of self for Christ's sake is as frankincense at his feet.

The neediest person near us is Christ's representative to receive our gifts.

True worship is an acceptable gift.

Dec. 29.—Numbering our days. Ps. 90.

TOPIC THOUGHTS

Our days are few; shall they be true?

The greatest day is to-day.

The faults of the old year may help us to fortify the new.

Every day must be accounted for; shall we make it count for something worth while?

That is a barren life which contains nothing but a succession of days.

Another year has gone into eternity to meet us again. Shall we be glad to renew its acquaintance?

The old year may help in the making of the new man.

Sun., Jan. 5. Topic—That which comes first. Matt. 6:33; Gen. 12: 7,8; Matt. 8: 22.

FIRST THINGS.

One should always come before two. Yet too many people put two first in their life. They put this world before heaven, self before God, pleasure before duty, play before work.

The first thing ought always to be the doing of God's will. "Seek ye fist the kingdom of God, and his righteousness."

In Abraham's pilgrim journeys the first thing was always an altar. Before anything else was done, God was recognized and honored. The Bible opens with these remarkable words. "In the beginning God." God should be put at the beginning of everything—of every new day, of every new plan or work or business, of every new friendship. Anything begun without God is sure to be unblessed.

The first thing in being a Christian is to obey the Master. When he says, "Follow me," following is the first duty. Even the most sacred obligations of friendship may not be put in first. To put obedience second is to disobey.

Sun., Jan. 12. Topic.—Entering the Kingdom. John 3: 1-8; 5: 24.

THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

A kingdom is where a king rules. Wherever God is loved honored and obeyed there is his kingdom.

Every kingdom has its laws. The law of the kingdom of God is God's will. We are not to take our own way nor follow our own desires but are always to ask "Lord what wilt thou have me to do?"

How can we learn the law of this kindom of God? There is a Book of the kingdom which tells us all we need to know. What book is it? Then the Spirit of God will teach us the meaning if we ask him while we read the Book.

The privileges of this kingdom are to be children of God, to have eternal life, to be free from judgment, to have passed out of death into life, to be heirs of God.

Dr. Clark will sail for Europe on Jan. 4th, to spend seven months in helping to establish Christian Endeavor more firmly in Scandinavia, France, Holland, Germany, Sweden, Bulgaria, and Bohemia. He has been invited to speak also at conventions of the Evangelical Alliance and the Young Men's Christian Association.

An Endeavor society has been formed in Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Philadelphia, of which Rev. Floyd Tomkins, D. D., formerly of this city, is rector.

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ADDITIONAL CHURCHES.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

A very pleasnt meeting of the Young Men's Parish Club was held atour rector's home, Thursday evening, Dec. 5th. Plans for onr winter work were formulated and other business transacted. Mr. Walter A. Briggs was elected warden. The next meeting will be held at Mr. Brigg's rooms Dec. 19th.

Mr. Taylor's lecture on Athens before the Girls Friendly Society was both interesting and enjoyable, forty being present. On Nov. 12th, an evening party was given at Miss Bradin's home, which was much enjoyed by all present. Members of the society are preparing an entertainment to be given at the Sunday-school Christmas festival. Miss Annie Smith hopes to have the candidates class well organized by Jan. 1st.

The Sunday-schoolChristmas festival will be held at Jewell hall, Friday evening, Dec. 27th.

SOUTH PARK METHODIST.

Rev. Dr. C. H. Buck of Bristol, who has recently returned from a trip around the world, gave an interesting address on Sunday, Dec. 8th, describing the mission work done in the East. In the afternoon Mrs. Buck spoke to the ladies of the church.

An Old Folk's Concert was given in the church on Wednesday evening, Dec. 4th, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society, which was largely attended and greatly enjoyed.

Onr pastor, Rev. E. S. Ferry, has announced his intention of taking a year for rest and recreation, beginning April 1st. We shall be sorry to lose him as the church has prospered greatly under his pastorate.

NEWINGTON CONGREGATIONAL

The C. E. Society and its friends gave the pastor a very pleasant surprise, Nov. 21st. An informal literary and musical progam was carried out. Cake and cocoa were served. All enjoyed a very pleasant evening.

The choir and organist assisted by out-of-town talent, gave a very pleasant musicale on Dec. 4th. Sandwichs and coffec were served at the close of the entertainment. The proceeds were for the snstaining of the choir.

Mr. Geo. Seymour is soon to leave for the South for the winter.

Our Sunday-school contributions will be given to Mr. James Roberts of China, this quarter.

The children are rehearsing for Christmas. A cantata, "The Crowning of Christmas," will be given.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society, in place of their annual sale, gave a supper on Wednesday evening, Dec 4th, at which contributions of money were received which would take the place of the amount each person would spend at a sale, and in this way raised about $150. A literary and musical entertainment followed.

Sunday, Dec. 1st, was observed as Rally Sunday. The scholars came out in very good numbers and the service was in every way a "Rally", both of old and young. The history was read and showed that we were still growing both in numbers and influence.

On Friday evening, Nov. 8th, an entertainment was given under the auspices of the Ladies' Benevolent Society, entitled "Then and Now."

The entertainment included tableaux and pantomime sketches from old fashioned life and the present time.

Tuesday evening, Nov 14th, occurred the installation services of the Rev. Dr. John Coleman Adams, as pastor of the church. The service was very well attended considering the ex-extremely unpleasant weather.

The service opened with the invocation by Rev. E. M. Grant of Stamford, followed by responses by the choir. The scripture was read by the Rev. Flint M. Bissell of Springfield. Prayer of istallation by Rev. Richmond Fisk, D. D., of Middletown, also addresses by the following: Rev. C. H. Fay, D. D., of New York, Rev. Geo. M. Stone, D. D., of Hartford. Rev. W. H. Dearborn, of Peabody; Rev. F. W. Perkins, of Haverhill; Rev. Chas. A. Skinner, of Cambridge. The last three mentioned ministers have had the pastorate of this church and Rev. C. H Fay also preached some of his first sermons in this church about 1839. Immediately after the service an informal reception was held in the church parlors.

WETHERSFIELD CONGREGATIONAL.

The new responsive service which our pastor introdnced several weeks ago, is proving very attractive and helpfnl Sabbath evenings.

Our Christian Endeavor Society is now studying Paul's letter to the Galatians. The subjects having been prepared by our pastor.

A Junior Christian Endeavor Society has just been organized with our pastor's wife as president. Their first sociable was given at the Parsonage Wednesday, Dec. 4th.

Committees have been appointed to arrange for a Christmas entertainment to be given in the chapel on Dec. 27th. The children will take part in a "play", carols snng and refreshments served.

Our Sunday-school is soon to adopt a new graded system of elementary lessons together with the regular international.

Mr. Round, representing the Order of St. Christopher, gave a very interesting talk recently on his work among vicions boys. He is trying to rouse the people of our State to the necessity of enacting laws that shall not stamp the yonng man as a criminal after his first offense, but will give him another chance.

A beautiful baptismal font of white marble was dedicated in onr church several weeks ago, as a gift through the will of the late Miss Nancy Rhodes and Mrs. Billings, sisters, who were long identified with our church.

A Woman's Saturday Afternoon Club has been organized with our pastor's wife as president. The membership is limited to one hundred, meets semi-monthly and includes several of the churches. Their first meeting was held on Nov. 30th, at the parsonage.

Our pastor is delivering a series of addresses Sabbath evenings, on "Mark's Portraits" of Christ.

Forty-seven were out at our union Thanksgivnig service. Pastor Elsdon of the Baptist church delivered an eloquent address from the text "Be ye thankful."

ASYLUM AVE. BAPTIST.

November 17th there was a union meeting of the Jnnior and Senior Christian Endeavorers. We were addressed by Mr. Miller of the Open Hearth, who gave a very interesting account of his work.

The Ladies' Social Organization is to give its annual sale Tuesday afternoon and evening, Dec. 10th.

PARK CONGREGATIONAL.

On Thursday evening, Dec. 12th, there will be a meeting to organize a missionary study class in our church. The organization committee has secured the very efficient services of Professor Livingston of the Theological Seminary, as teacher.

On Friday evening, Dec 13th, at 7 o'clock, the Mission Circle and the Christian Endeavor Society will give a social to the Sunday-school, and young people of the congregation.

On Thursday evening, at 7:45, the meeting will be given up to the consideration of our foreign pastor, Dr. Americns Fuller of Aintab, Turkey.

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The Christmas number of the Century is, if anything, handsomer than the November number. The cover designed by J. C. Leyendecker—two angels holding aloft the infant Jesus—is printed in eight colors on a creamy background; and the frontispiece is one of four full page pictures, in tints, by Maxfield Parrish, accompanying the text of Milton's "L'Allegro."

The World's Work for December sweeps an even wider range of topics than ever and it is well written—with a swing and movement that vivifies the workday activities of the month.

McClure's Magazine for December contains an article on Michelangelo by John LaFarge which is well illustrated. Among other valuable contributions is a character sketch of Platt by William Allen White.

The Christmas Ladies' Home Journal is the largest number of that popular magazine ever issued, and the quality seems in keeping with the quantity.

Modern Culture for December contains among other things a striking poem on "Immortality," by a cultivated Chinaman living in California, Mr. Pak Gaw Wun.

The December number of Country Life in America emphasizes the unique character of this large magazine with beautiful illustrations. Besides the flowers and gardens, this month, there is much about the world out-of-doors in December.

Holly-Berry and Mistletoe. By Mary Caroline Hyde. 108 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Little, Brown & Co. Price 80 cents net.

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A Jolly Cat Tale. By Amy Brooks. 117 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Lee & Shepard. Price $1.00.

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Mammy's Reminiscences. By Martha S. Gielow. 109 pages, 12 mo. New York: A. S. Barnes & Co. Price $1.00.

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The Boy Problem. A Study in Social Pedagogy. By Wm. Byron Forbush. 194 pages, 12 mo. Boston: The Pilgrim Press.

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"Lead, Kindly Light." By Johu P. Newman. 20 pages, square 8 vo. Phila.: Henry Altemus Compauy.

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King Midas. By Upton Sinclair. 388 pages, 12 mo. New York: Funk & Wagnalls Co. Price $1.20.

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The Man from Glengarry. By Ralph Connor. 473 pages, 12 mo. New York: Fleming H. Revell Co. Price $1.50.

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The Rubaiyat of Mirza—Mem'n. By "Zero." 78 pages, square 8 vo. Chicago: Henry Olendorf Shepard. Price $3.00.

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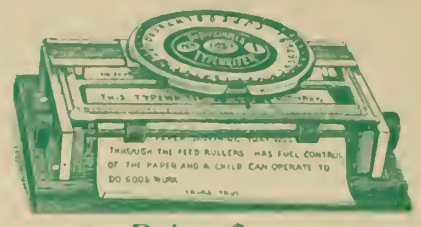

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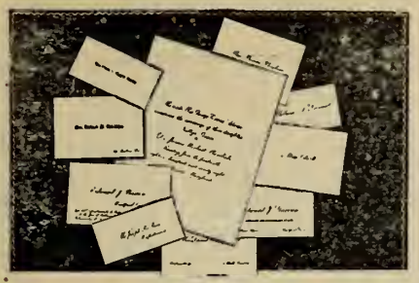

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BE STRONG.

Maltbie D. Babcock.

Be strong!
We are not here to play, to dream, to drift;
We have hard work to do, and loads to lift.
Shun not the struggle—face it; 'tis God's gift.

Be strong!
Say not the days are evil; who's to blame?
And fold the hands and acquiesce—oh, shame!
Stand up, speak out, and bravely, in God's name.

Be strong!
It matters not how deep intrenched the wrong,
How hard the battle goes, the day how long;
Faint not—fight on! To-morrow comes the song.

There is a time between the passing of sentence and the execution of it, whether it be for the punishment of a criminal, or the confiscation of goods. So there has been a long time between the sentence against the liquor power and its execution. And yet every day and year sees that sentence carried out, at least in part. Public sentiment against it is growing. The business is not at all popular. Drinking used to be common among all classes, but now it is limited to very few. Laws grow more stringent, and prohibitory laws more numerous. The end can be nothing short of extinction, and the end is approaching.—Our Young Folks.

A NEW HARTFORD INSTITUTION, THE BIBLE NORMAL COLEGE.

Coming to Hartford from Springfield.

It is nearly seventeen years since this college was organized in Springfield as a training school for Christian workers. Some special emphasis was given in its earlier years to the preparation of young men for secretaries in Young Men's Christian Associations. The demands in that specialty increased to such an extent, that in a few years the International Training School for secretaries and physical directors was organized exclusively for the work of the associations, many of the instructors and patrons continuing to aid both institutions. The increasing usefulness of these training colleges has been attested each succeeding year. The grateful advance of the Young Men's Christian Associations in the past few years, in providing for the general needs of young men in our communities, and especially in the equipment furnished for a more thorough training in the Bible and in methods of teaching it, has aroused such a degree of appreciation of them as secures the enlargement and security now characterizing them everywhere. And this almost phenomenal advance, to a greater extent than would at first appear, centers in the skillful and well adjusted work done in Springfield for trained leaders in the various departments of Association work.

A similar enlargement and appreciation has attended the growth of the Bible College. It aims to thoroughly prepare workers in all forms of religious activity, excepting for the pulpit, and for leadership in Young Men's Christian Associations.

The demand for such training has increased far more than the facilities of the college. It needs but a glance over the field of religious progress to disclose the changes of methods adopted by the churches. The desire to save men has increased, but the manner of going about it is a different thing now from what it was a generation ago. New wine has appeared for this century and new bottles are required for it. Appliances in the industrial and commercial world have not changed and multiplied more than they are now in the religious world. The latter has been more conservative, slower to adopt new things, but as surely the changes are here. There is a demand for pastors' assistants, for it is recognized that one man cannot do the work now demanded of a pastor. Not only is this the case in the largest churches, but is obtaining among the churches of average size. The Sunday-school has more to do than can be done by the bright, interested, business man, as its superintendent. His cares are such that he cannot give the requisite time to equip himself for the work. Therefore many churches are employing superintendents for their Sunday-schools and often the pastor's assistant undertakes also the superintendency. The primary department finds a need for a skilled leader. Child study is a new science. The teaching in the primary department must share the advantages. Some churches are finding it the best thing to employ a pastor's assistant, a superintendent of the Sunday-school, one for the primary department and still another for the church kindergarten. This looks like an array of

forces, but our Roman Catholic friends have always had their church forces in better equipment as to number of workers than we have.

Young Women's Christian Associations have grown up and are rapidly increasing in their demands for trained leaders. The college settlement workers are increasing. Some churches are paying trained ladies to visit among the sick poor, missionary stations both on foreign fields and in our own land are securing the services of skilled lay helpers and with most satisfactory results.

Such are some of the demands for the work which the Bible Normal College is doing. Within a few weeks more than a score of applications have come from nearly a dozen states for workers and the college is unable to send any. For a number of years no student has gone out from the college without a place and salary ready. These lay workers are now called from their work as pastors are called, by other churches. Twenty-five of them are engaged in state, normal and international work; a large number of them are pastors' assistants and helpers in parishes; many as superintendents and primary leaders; some are specialists in extension and settlement work and fifteen are engaged as helpers in foreign missionary stations in ten countries and under the care of four denominations.

The college is undenominational. The patrons who assist in making its training possible are representatives of nearly all the denominations and their denominational adherence could not be put down by anyone connected with the college.

Summer Chautauquas, Bible institutes and training schools of all orders contribute to the supply of students, and the curriculum now demands for entrance a diploma from a college or a high school, or such study as would rank its equivalent.

The Bible study is likely as thorough and well planned a course as can be found in any institution. Regarded as fundamental in the preparation of religious usefulness, the subjects both in the old and new testament have been arranged with best care and with the view of rendering the student the most practically prepared in handling the Word in the particular phase of labor he may seek. The course in psychology and the science of education has received wide approval, a prominent place in which is the study of Child Nature. Scoiology, Missions and Home Economics are no small feature in the course of training which the Bible College offers.

The expenses necessary for a student at the college have been reduced to the lowest figure comensurate with health and comfort, and the atmosphere pervading the institution, the happiness and worship and the enthusiasm of the college life of the students, certainly attest the wisdom of its management.

It may not be generally known that a number of invitations and overtures were made to the college and that the one from the Theological Seminary of this city was accepted after much consideration of two from Chicago and one from New York. Since arrangements commenced shaping for the removal of this college to our city, the outlook increases in its attractiveness. Representatives of nearly all the denominations are enthusiastic in considering the project. The words of the lamented Dr. Bristol in its favor will not soon be forgotten. It is believed that nearly every educational institution in our midst will give a glad welcome and will open to such mutual interchange as may seem fitting and convenient.

The congratulations on the removal and the proposed affiliations have been abundant and very enthusiastic. They have come from far beyond the state, and from the highest sources. Many feel that it is the preparation for a renewed march of the gospel when

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churches are awakening to the necessity of using as much skill in religious things as in commercial affairs, and in apportioning departments of labor in religion as in business, to the care of trained specialists. One of the invitations for removal came from the strongest seminary in the land, which has since organized a department for training lay workers. The removal of such an institution from the place of its birth and youth is no easy matter, involving as it does the adjustment of many important details, but the cordiality of interest and the glowing outlook lightens the burdens. The college is already sending two or more professors weekly to the seminary in this city to meet students who have taken electives in their courses, so that even before the removal the work is really commenced in Hartford.—Rev. Frank Russell.

TEMPERANCE NOTES.

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Gen. Miles has again proved himself too large a man for the war department to overawe, by declaring himself against the re-establishment of the bar in the canteen. He shows good sense equal to his independence by arguing, "The railroad companies don't find it necessary to provide places where their employees may congregate and drink." Miles, Kitchener, and Roberts outweigh a few gross of the cuckoo majors and red nosed surgeons who are clamoring for saloons in the army.—C. E. World.

Total abstinence is a law of true freedom to the soul. We hear it said, "I wish to be free to take a glass of liquor or not to take it." They who so speak are seldom or never free to put the glass of liquor away from their lips. Their boasted freedom is the servitude of passion. The total abstainer is a moral hero.—Archbishop Ireland.

Omaha Teacher: "Can any of the class explain to me why the way of the transgressor is hard?"

Omaha Spark: "I guess it's 'cause it's travelled so much."—Omaha World.

ANECDOTES.

Oliver Cromwell was a staunch Puritan, and could not brook the least approach to Popery. "What are these?" he once inquired, as he saw a dozen silver statues in the niches of a temple. "The twelve apostles," replied the trembling dean. "Take them down," said Cromwell, "and coin them into money so that they may go about doing good, like their Master."

An incident showing startling results from being over anxious is related pertaining to Lord Roseberry and the anarchistic outbreak at Barcelona. Lord Roseberry was at this time in the foreign office and a lady came to him in great distress saying her husband was there and she feared someting would happen to him. Lord Roseberry quited her fears by saying that the governor was a personal friend of his and he would see that her husband was cared for. Lord Roseberry telegraphed the governor: "Please assure yourself of the security of Mr. X; I have particular reasons." Three days later the reply came: "I have done as you desired, X is safely under lock and key in the dungeon with the other anarchists." All that intervened before the explanation could be made and the man released was stranger than fiction.

General Grant revered the Sabbath day. The Presbyterian says: "When he was in Paris, the president of the republic, as a special token of respect invited him to a place on the grand stand to witness the great racing which occurs in that country on Sunday. It is considered a discourteous act to decline such an invitation from the head official of the republic. Such a thing had never been heard of but General Grant in a polite note declined the honor and said to the French president "It is not in accordance with the custom of my country or with the spirit of my religion to spend Sunday in that way." And when the Sabbath came that great hero found his way to the American chapel where he was one of its quiet worshippers.

GENERAL TINO AND THE INSURGENTS.

A Letter from the Philippines.

Rev. E. S. Eby.

I send you a picture of General Tino and his staff of officers, who are from Vigan, one of our provinces. These

GEN. TINO (X) AND HIS STAFF, FILIPINO INSURGENTS, VIGAN.

men were the leaders of the insurrection here. They surrendered a few months ago, and are living in Vigan. While they seem to us to be friendly, we are aware of the fact that if there was any hope for their lost cause, they would raise another rebellion tomorrow.

General Tino with his seven hundred men, surrendered five hundred guns to the American General Bell, and marched into Vigan. I saw them as they marched in, half-starved, and many of them sick. They were glad for the privilege of meeting their families and friends, but there were many sad hearts and homes. Hundreds of fathers and brothers were missing from the ranks. You ask, were these men honest and sincere in their fight for liberty? I answer, Yes, the greater part of them were. General Tino and the Catholic priests who were insur-

NATIVE POLICE HEADQUARTERS, VIGAN, P. I.
The police station and headquarters of the mayor and his council.

gents were the cause of the war with the United States. In General Tino's speech before the citizens of Vigan before our army had taken the city, he said: "This is a war for your homes and native land. The Americans will rob you of your homes, destroy your churches and take away your religion, for they have no God." General Tino is a fine looking man, well educated, and very shrewd. He has shown himself to be a remarkable man. He is but twenty-four years old. He is said to be a much shrewder man than Aguinaldo. His rule was one of iron, and the natives lived in terror of him. He hated the Americans, as was shown in his treatment of Lieutenant Gilmore and party, who were in prison here for three months, then taken out in the mountains to die of starvation. He took 500 Spaniards outside of Vigan, made them dig their own graves, then shot them.

This man has his freedom. Where is there another country in existence that would have dealt out mercy to this man, as did our country? And yet, Americans will talk about the cruel treatment to these people. Our government has been kind and forbearing, and if they do not learn to love the American flag, that has brought free schools and freedom from a slavery that has no equal on earth, they are the most ungrateful people on earth.---The Watchword.

An amusing incident recently came to light at the State Department. A consignment of books, the Epistles of St. Paul, translated into the vernacular, was held up by Turkish customs officers until affidavits testifiyng to the death of the author were received.

God leads his own into better things than they can plan for themselves.

LEADING IN PRAYER.

It is because we believe in the priesthood of all believers that we are justified in the request which we often make to devout members of the church to "lead in prayer." It is a sacred office, and no one ought to respond to the call unless he realizes just what it means. The leader must somehow suddenly forget himself to such an extent that he can enter into the moods of many and voice needs which are not his own. The joys and the griefs, the struggles and the attainments, the petitions and the thanksgivings of his fellows, must be so really his that he can lead the souls of others to the throne of God in the hush of those solemn moments.

It is a burden. It is a privilege. There are men and women who are priests of mighty power in the worship of churches. They can lead in prayer because they have learned the way of approach in secret as they have dwelt with God. No man can lead who does not know the way, and no man can lead who does not know what the responsibility of the leadership means. Let us make our souls ready for the high privilege of leading in prayer.—Our Young Folks.

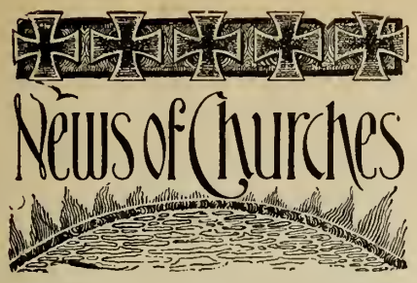
MISSIONARY NOTES.

Every non-Christian land has told anew or will tell ere long the astonishing story of Apostolic success. Read of the Telugus, the Fijiis, the Maoriis and of many others and discover new Pentecosts. Whatever emasculation the Gospel has suffered at the hands of materialistic culture at home it is as virile in the field of greatest need as in the hands of the early disciples.----Alva W. Taylor.

"Nowhere in all the world" says a missionary to Alaska "are to be found brighter, sweeter, stronger, purer, manlier, more lovable Christian characters than in these mining camps of the North. Adaptable, resourceful men are needed to carry the gospel to them; men who can live the life of the miner uncomplainingly, can build churches with their own hands, can endure and enjoy sixty and seventy degrees below zero, and deprivations of most of the ordinary comforts of life; and, above all, men who are absolutely free from the deadly lust for gold, the most universal and soul-killing of Alaska's vices."

An English clergyman advertised as follows: "Lost, by the Rev. ——, a sermon preached at ——, last Sunday, on ——. Of no possible use to any one but the owner." The editor of the Standard is of the opinion that a sermon preached by a gentleman with no more sense of humor than that would rightly be thus described.

PUBLIC EXECUTION NEAR VIGAN, P. I.
Five natives are being hanged for murder. The native church is in the rear.



CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER.

The death of George H. Hebard brings sorrow to the hearts of all the members of the parish and his many friends in this city. His very sudden death, so entirely unexpected, making it doubly sad. Mr. Hebard has been connected with the church and Sunday-school since childhood, in fact was born in the faith, as his people for several generations had been associated with the church His death makes a vacancy in the church and Sunday-school which, in the opinon of nearly everyone, cannot easily be filled. The funeral, which was held in the church, on Friday afternoon, was very largely attended. Dr. Adams conducted the service and paid a very beautiful tribute to the dead.

Mr. Hebard was a deacon of the church and for the past ten years has been superintendent of the Sunday-school, in which office he performed his duties with a cheerfnl and unfailing spirit.

Mr. Hebard also had great musical and literary ability which he nsed for the advancement of many socials in the church.

At various times he composed mnsic and wrote short poems which were always a source of great pleasue and help to all.

Mr. Hebard was a man of sterling character, kind, lovable, and in the highest sense of the word, was a Christian man.

A man who will be greatly missed both in church life and in the everyday business life.

At the reular session cf the Snnday-school, Jan. 12th, a special memorial service was held in memory of the late superintendent.

Rev. Dr. Adams, Mr. F. S. Carey, Mr. C. G. Lincoln and Mr. C. H. Cooley, who had all been intimately associated with Mr. Hebard in the church work, made very appropriate addresses, and before closing Mr. C. G. Lincoln read a set of resolutions which were passed upon by the members of the school.

Sunday, Dec. 22nd, was observed as Christmas Sunday, with appropriate exercises at the morning service.

The regular Sunday-school service was omitted and instead, a children's vesper service was held at 4.30 in the afternoon. Special exercises were prepared and the service was a thorongh success.

Monday evening, Dec. 30th, was the childre n's Christmas day. The younger ones were entertained in the afternoon with games and refreshments. In the evening the older members of the school were entertained with games and Dr. Adams gave several readings which were a source of great amusement to all present.

SOUTH PARK METHODIST.

The week of prayer was observed by special meetings on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings, also Friday afternoon. Mr. Jacks and Mr. Gregg, of the Y. M.C. A., were among the speakers.

Twelve new members were added to the church at the last communion service.

The Epworth Leagne will have a social and literary entertainment on Wednesday evening, Jan. 22nd.

The Rock Concert Company will give an entertainment in the church for the benefit of the Snnday-school, on Jan. 29th.

Mr. Geo. H. Bartholomew has resumed his position as tenor in the church quartet.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

The Sunday-school festival and snpper was held Saturday, Dec. 28th, at the Colt Memorial building. The supper was enjoyed by the scholars and teachers, after which they marched up to the hall, where the Christmas tree held forth with its bright adornments. Dr. Hart presided and spoke about the message the Christmas tide brought to them and to all men. Carols were sung by the school including one by the infant class alone. Dr. Hart alluded to the absence of Rev. Mr. Bristol, our late rector, and the love and interest he had for the Sunday-school. Presents were then distributed to scholars.

Snnday, Dec. 29th, at 4 o'clock, the children's Christmas service was held at the church. Carols were sung and the congregatien were addressed by Dr. Hart.

The parish paper, of the Good Shepherd, has been issued for December, 1901. It is a memorial number and contains the full services connected with the death of our late Rector, with articles from papers, resolutions of societies, etc.

The Men's League meeting for December was held Thursday, Dec. 19th, with Gen'l H. C. Dwight as speaker. He gave a very good address on his "Memoirs of the Civil War." A social time followed the address.

The January meeting of the League will be held Jan. 16th, at which time Mr. Arthnr L. Shipman will speak, his subject being "Taxation."

Rev. G. W. Smith of Trinity College condncted the services Sunday, Jan. 5th.

Prof. Fergnson of Trinity College, conducted the services Jan. 12th. At the afternoon service he was assisted by Rev. Mr. Chapman, an Alaskan missionary, who spoke about the work in that great field.

A committee was appointed at the parish meeting, lately held, to select a rector for the parish to succeed Rev. C. G. Bristol.

NORTH METHODIST.

The week of prayer was observed by this church and was of great interest, the congregation was large and the interest manifested was deeply felt by all.

The Snnday-school has increased in nnmbers and the teachers tea held Monday evening was a delightful affair. Short addresses were made by the superintendent and pastor, and also by several of the teachers.

The meetings held in the Sunday-school room immediately after the preaching services for a quarter of an hour, are greatly enjoyed by the large number who attend. The singing by a quartette of young men from Mr. Samuel H. Havens's class—F. W. Knox, J. B. McNamar, A. E. Barnes and E. H. Dexter, also by Miss Annie MacDonnell, is greatly enjoyed and appreciated.

The Endeavor meetings and socials are largely attended.

Rev. H. W. Howell, the pastor, preaches Snnday in the evening special sermons on the miracles of Christ, which are very helpfnl and interesting.

The Willing Workers society cleared a handsome sum on their doll sale.

WINDSOR AVE. CONGREGATIONAL.

The reception given by the Ladies' Aid Society, Jan. 3rd, to Rev. Mr. Peabody and Mrs. Peabody, was a very delightful occasion. The decorations were very handsome and a large number attended.

Last week was observed as the week of prayer, meetings being held on four evenings. Friday evening, the annual meeting and social gathering of the chnrch was held. Letters were read from various absent members and items of interest were given. Refreshments were served and a social hour was enjoyed by all.

Owing to the illness of our pastor the

pulpit was occupied Sunday morning, Jan. 12th. by Professor Paton of the Theological Seminary.

Miss Lewis addressed the Sunday school, Jan. 12th, on the work of the McAll Mission in France.

The Sunday-school had an attendance of 336 last Sunday. Several new classes have been organized and much interest in the school is taken. Teachers' teas held once a month are of great help, as well as pleasure to the teachers and officers.

OLIVET BAPTIST.

A great deal of interest has been manifested in our Junior C. E. Society. Three of the members have joined the Senior C. E.

Our Sunday-school gave its regular Christmas concert on Christmas eve.

The Evangeline Circle will give a supper in the church Friday evening, Jan. 17th, and our C. E. is planning a tableaux to be rendered in the near future.

ASYLUM AVE. BAPTIST.

The Christmas sale, held Dec. 10th, by the Ladies Social Organization netted about $100. Refreshments were served in the evening and a very pleasant time was enjoyed by all.

The Christmas entertainment was held Friday evening, Dec. 27th, in the chapel, where music, recitations and refreshments furnished a delightful program. Arthur Knox well filled the part of Santa Claus. M. Wheeler rendered several selections on the violin, which were much enjoyed.

SOUTH BAPTIST.

The Christmas entertainment and tree were greatly enjoyed by the children of the Sunday-school and their friends. Each child received a gift from "Santa" himself, and in addition a bag of candy.

A reception was given Rev. and Mrs. Frank Dixon on the last night of the old year, by the members of the church and congregation. A large number were present.

The chapel was very prettily decorated with Christmas greens. During the evening an orchestra rendered several selections and Mrs. Nellie Carey Reynolds and Miss Kellogg sang solos and also a duet.

Mr. Dixon was presented with an Underwood typewriter and Mrs Dixon with a handsome silk quilt. Refreshments were served and a most enjoyable evening spent.

Still another King's Daughters Circle has been formed among the younger girls, under Mrs. Conkey and Mrs. Miner, called the "Ever Ready" Circle. At Christmas time this circle gave a tree to the children of the Italian Mission, under Mr. Roca, which was a decided success.

The first meeting of the Men's League was held in the Primary room of the Sunday-school, Friday evening, Jan. 10th. This league will meet for social and religious purposes once a month. All men, both old and young, will be made welcome.

The C. E. business meetings for the rest of the winter months will be held at the homes of the members of the Society.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society will give a supper in the parlors of the church, Wednesday evening, Jan. 15th. A large attendance is desired, as the money raised will go toward repairing the chapel. Price for supper, 25 cents.

WETHERSFIELD BAPTIST.

Our Sabbath-school had its Christmas entertainment on New Years eve., Dec. 31st. in the church and a unique feature of it was a decorated Ferris Wheel, from which Santa Claus gave the presents. The children recited and sang and the choir gave several selections. A nice chair was presented to Rev. Mr. Elsden, pastor, and a nice umbrella to our sexton, Bro. Eggleston. Mr. Elsden is preaching excellent sermons.

WETHERSFIELD METHODIST.

The Sunday-school entertainment, given New Year's night, was a thorough success. After the entertainment a social was enjoyed by the school. Each member received a share from the tree, which included numerous jokes, causing much merriment. Light refreshments were served during the evening.

NEW BRITAIN AVE. MISSION.

The annual Christmas entertainment of the Sunday-school, was held on New Year's night. A most entertaining program was arranged and carried out. To assure the entertainment's being successful Santa Claus made an informal call, coming from somewhere on the trolley, and distributed a number of presents. The usual tree and surroundings were features. The primary department concluded the exercises the next evening with an interesting program. Santa Claus happened in and finished his work begun the night before.

The Sunday evening services are proving interesting to all. Among those who have addressed the attendants have been Mr. Toan of the Seminary, Mr. Day of the First Baptist church, Rev. E. S. Ferry of the South Park Methodist, New Britain Praying Band and Mr. Fulton of the Seminary, on the 12th, who continued his interesting lecture on Jerusalem.

The annual election of officers will take place Monday night, Jan. 20th.

Cupid has again entered the ranks of the mission, this time influencing the marriage of our cornetist, Mr. Alfred E. Murdock, to Miss Sadie Huckings, of Arlington Heights, Mass., on Jan. 15th.

SUFFIELD STREET BAPTIST.

The New Year's entertainment and distribution of presents to the members of the Sunday-school, was most successful and enjoyable, being a sort of play which represented the domestic life of Santa Claus. The children, who represented fancy dolls, acted their parts well and the little dialogue of domestic repartee between Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus was an especially pleasing feature.

The first of our Christmas music was rendered by ten young ladies and was an echo chorus, part of them being in the back gallery of the chapel ready to give a surprise to the audience, as well as a response to the choir in the front of the room.

The annual meeting of the Sunday-school was held Dec. 29th. The reports showed good progress and the attendance is steadily increasing. Many children received prizes for attending fifty or more Sundays during the last year. Truly we have had a good year, and we trust that the year to come will bring added blessings.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL.

Wednesday, Jan. 15th, a box will be packed in the church parlors for a missionary at Farnam, Neb. The family consists of wife and two daughters, aged twenty and fourteen. Clothing and money are much needed.

Friday, Jan. 17th, the meeting of the Young Woman's Home Missionary club will be held. A paper on "Work among the Chinese in California" will be read by Miss Harrison and one on "Influence of Chinese Work in China" will be read by Miss Knapp.

Saturday, Jan. 18th, a meeting of the mission circle will be held at 3 o'clock, subject, "The Zulus."

The church offering next Sunday will be for the Church Building Society.

The minister will usually be at the parsonage from twelve to one o'clock each week day, except Monday.

PARK CONGREGATIONAL.

On Thursday evening, Jan. 9th, the meeting was addressed by President F. G. Woodworth of Toogaloo University, Mississippi, and on Jan. 16th, the annual meeting of the church members will take place. On Tuesday evening, Jan. 14th, there will be the annual supper and roll call of members. Dr. Parker and Dr. Stone are invited to meet with us

On Friday afternoon, Jan. 17th, the Mission Circle will pack a box for Miss Beard's school for colored girls at Montgomery, Ala. All are invited to contribute.

On Tuesday evening, Jan. 21st, the Hartford C. E. Union will meet in this church at 7.45 p. m.

The mission study class, Prof. Livingston teacher, meets on Monday evening, every other week.

On Monday evening, Dec. 30th, the Sunday-school had its Christmas entertainment. A Christmas tree, ice cream and cake, jolly games, the giving and receiving of gifts and to each scholar a box of candy, made the evening a very enjoyable one.

WARBURTON CHAPEL.

The annual Christmas entertainment was held on Friday evening, Dec. 27th, and, as in the past, the chapel was filled with the scholars and their parents and friends, for this the most attractive event in the year.

The first part of the program was filled by the scholars in singing, recitations, drills and pantomime, which pleased our visitors very much. The last half of the evening, however, was by far the most appreciated, being an illustrated story of the first Christmas and its results upon the world then and ever since.

Mr. J. Coolidge Hills showed the pictures upon a large screen with his stereopticon while the story was being told.

The annual report shows a membership in the Sunday-school, without counting the Home Department, of 206, that number being five less than for the past two years, the average attendance for the year was 139 ;average attendance during the third quarter, 98. Offerings from the school for the year, $311. Seven scholars have become church members. During 1901 we dropped eighteen teachers and officers from our roll and added fifteen; and of scholars seventy-four have joined and seventy-six withdrawn from our membership.

The classes of the Senior Department of the Sunday-school have planned a social to be given Tuesday evening, Jan. 21st.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

The Hartford Archdeaconry will meet at this church on Jan. 21st. Holy Communion will be celebrated at 11 a m. Rev. George Thomas Linsley will preach a memorial sermon to the late Rev. Cornelius Gardner Bristol. At the afternoon service, Rev. Prof. Luther and Rev. George K. MacNaught will be the speakers.

Rev. Karl Rieland made the address at the Christmas Carol service of the Sunday-school, Dec. 29th.

The Young Men's Guild of the parish, this month began the publication of a small monthly paper entitled, "St. John's Record." It is entirely filled with church notes and is a credit to the Guild.

Bishop Brewster will visit this church on Easter, for confirmation. The lectures by the rector in preparation for this will be given each Sunday afternoon.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, EAST HARTFORD.

The annual meeting of the church was held Jan. 8th. One hundred and eleven were present at the supper, and a very fine history of the year was read by Miss Lillie M. Hunting, historian. At the business meeting Mr. Chas. He ry Williams was chosen deacon to fill a vacancy. H. D. Olmsted was elected clerk to succeed Deacon G. W. Smart. The retiring trustes were re-elected, as were the other officers. The standing committee being Messrs. F. N. Avery, George Goodwin, H. B. Williams, W. J. Driggs and Mrs. J. O. Goodwin and Mrs. W. B. Tuthill. It was voted to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the church next May.

CHARITY ORGANIZATION SOCIETY.

This has been one of the busiest months in the history of the society as regards routine work.

The Hospital for Consumptives on Cedar Mountain, which is being built as an annex to the Hartford Hospital, is now nearly finished and will be ready for occupancy sometime in the spring.

Plans are under way for arousing further interest in the local tenement house question. The Civic Club and this society are working together with this aim. It is expected that Mr. Robert W. DeForest, president of the New York Charity Organization Society, will speak here upon this subject Mr. DeForest was at the head of the New York State Tenement House Commission which secured the passage by the New York state legislature of the notable tenement house laws last year.

Mr. DeForest has been appointed by Mayor Low to head the new department which will see to the execution of these laws in New York City.

ST. PAUL'S METHODIST.

At St. Paul's church on Sunday, Jan. 12th, the finance committee presented their quarterly report showing a deficit of $450 for the current year, owing to the large interest account incident to the building of the new church, dedicated a little more than one year ago. The pastor called for the amount by public subscription and the congregation responded nobly to the call, and in a brief time responded by cash and pledges, the total amount required, and more to meet all bills payable up to the close of the conference year, April 1st.

New officers of the Epworth League are as follows: Pres., G. S. King; vice presidents Harold Sage, Mrs. E W. Fothergill, Miss F. E. Potter, Mrs. J. B. Whelan; sec'y, Miss Ella E. McIntosh; treas., E. F. Huntington; organist, Mrs. E. E. Herold and Miss Alice Rowbotham.

The Infant department of the Sunday-school has grown so large that it is to be divided and an intermediate department organized. The old officials were all re-elected in the Sunday-ch o ol, with one exception.

WETHERSFIELD AVE. CONGREGATIONAL.

Improvements which have been in progress for some time have been completed, and regular services are now held in our church proper.

The pews have been replaced by opera chairs of cherry color. A new carpet of the same shade has been laid. One of Austin's pipe organs, with water-motor power, has been placed in the recess back of the pulpit. Combination electric and gas fixtures have been placed, and the church is now lighted by electricity. The ceiling has been tinted afresh. On account of the size of the Sunday-school, an addition has been built on to the chapel. The Young Men's Club connected with the Sunday-school has undertaken to paint the exterior of the church buildings, and that will soon be done. A choir now takes the place of congregational singing. Individual communion cups have lately been introduced.

To make these improvements, which seemed indispensable, $4,500 has been expended, part of which has been raised by subscriptions, and the rest has been secured by mortgaging the property.

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MODERN WARFARE.

If an inhabitant of Mars, or of some other celestial body, whose people were somewhat more advanced toward the millenium than those of our own solar sphere, was to come to us on a visit, it is likely that his book on "My Impressions of the Earth" would be "the best selling book of the month", and that, too, without advertising in street cars or air ships.

His chapter on "Modern Warfare," if not taken as clever fiction, would probably be accepted as a sufficient reason for the establishment of our numerous and growing insane asylums, and it might read somewhat to this effect:

"The rulers of these nations, at frequent intervals, fall into dispute with each other, which their scheme of Arbitration fails to settle, if it is not altogether ignored. If one nation is powerful and the other weak, the powerful nation has no use for Arbitration. Instead, there has developed a strange and astonishing science which they have termed "Modern Warfare," supposed to be a wonderful improvement of their ancient mode.

By tens of thousands the able-bodied men of each nation are called from their productive labors, organized into companies and taught to march in unison and shoot accurately.

"They are provided at the expense of those who are still engaged in productive labor, and of unborn generations, with every implement required in the slaughter of human bodies. They also receive food and raiment with more or less regularity, and a very moderate compensation in money.

"Then they are led forth by officers of greater and lesser degree to meet a similar body opposed to them, and the killing begins.

"If the farmer on one side, and the mechanic on the other, were brought together and asked what quarrel they had with each other, they would hardly be able to tell. But their rulers had sent them to kill, and kill they would and kill each other they did.

"In their ordinary civil affairs killing is counted the greatest of all crimes and carries the heaviest penalty. Yet in their warfare they are urged to kill to the utmost, while the lesser crime of theft is severely punished. They may take the life of their opponent, but not his property.

"Moreover they have a strange custom when an enemy is wounded and captured. Instead of completing their work of killing him, as they set out to do in the first place, their surgeons very carefully nurse them back to health, and eventually restore them to freedom.

"If forced into such a conflict, or, perhaps, voluntarily entering it, a man decides that he neither wants to kill or be killed, and so takes his departure, he is called a deserter and if captured, is shot.

"Whole nations go mad in a lust for murder, led on ofttimes by brilliant but unscrupulous men. Their quarrels without exception could be adjusted peaceably, but their minds are so constituted, and their past customs have been such, that only bloodshed seems to be the remedy for any but their most petty disputes.

"The prospect for an improvement in their customs in this respect would seem to be poor, indeed, but for one thing—the cost. When they come to figure it up they find that "Modern Warfare" is each year becoming a more expensive luxury, and in time they may find their scheme of Arbitration not so bad, after all, for settling all their differences."

With our traditions, our love of country, our patriotism, too, which is sometimes so strangely warped, it is hard to take an absolutely unprejudiced view of what we know as Modern Warfare. Its pomp and grandeur fascinate us, we take pride in the brave deeds of our ancestors; yet is there anything under the sun so astounding and awful as the method by which the nations of the earth settle their disputes in this nineteen hundred and second year of our Lord Jesus Christ?

One murder made a villain,
Millions a hero. Princes were privileged
To kill, and numbers sanctified the crime. —Porteus.

ANTI-STRIKE CONFERENCE.

The gathering together in New York of representatives of labor, of capital and of the general public, and their mutual discussion of how to settle by arbitration the differences between capital and labor, indicates a new and better era in the industrial world.

Such men as Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Hanna, Mr. Schwab and Mr. Shaffer, Archbishop Ireland and Bishop Potter, came together on equal terms, and discussed the labor question in its various phases.

The results may not be startling. There will doubtless be strikes and labor troubles in the future. But if the spirit of antagnoism between employee and employer can be eliminated, and the questions in dispute be referred to arbitration, many a strike can be averted and much ill will and pecuniary loss on both sides can be avoided.

Archbishop Ireland made the closing address of the conference. He said in part:

"May the winds carry the news over the continent and around the world that such a meeting as this has taken place in the great city of New York. The hope of the twentieth century is that the great principles of brotherhood, charity and justice announced by the Holy One of Palestine shall become wider and deeper at this time than at any other. Let us have industrial peace. Let employer and employe know that they are brothers. Let charity and justice, and justice more than charity, be the prevailing light of this great nation."

The persistent attempt of our Mayor to misconstrue the purpose of the Law and Order League in its recent local investigations and report, may be considered a very clever undertaking in some quarters, but in others it is heartily condemned. All citizens deplore the necessity for such an organization as the League, and its officers surely have no easy task, but notwithstanding the opposition and harsh criticisms of some of our citizens, who should be in better business, a great deal of good work has been accomplished.

Congratulations to the Y. M. C. A. on its successful effort to raise the mortgage indebtedness on its magnificent building!

Congratulations and a prosperous New Year!

By all means let the suit against the gas company go forward, and let us see who owns Hartford. Year in and year out this city has been bullied by a corporation which derives all its business from the people. It's time to see if

these same people can't regulate the corporation a bit.

The retail clothing business in Hartford, recently, reminds one of Mark Twain's purchase of a book.

From the book seller he claimed various discounts as an author, publisher, etc., and when it was figured out, the bookseller found he owed Mark Twain about thirty-five cents, besides the book.

Restrain by thy divine, thy lower self.

Y M. C. A. NOTES.

The Young Men's Christian Association enters upon the new year of 1902 with brighter prospects than ever. There is a general rejoicing on the part of the Board of Management, members of the Association and its many friends, over the successful effort to raise the mortgage debt. This was the third and finally successful effort to clear up this mortgage. A few years ago an effort was made when some $7,000 was given by a few earnest friends of the Association and was applied on the debt. It is a great relief to the management to be free from this incumbrance. The work, however, is not self-sustaining for the reason that the fees charged to members are very much lower than actual cost per man of maintaining the work. This must necessarily be so because few of the young men and boys who avail themselves of the privileges of the Association could afford to pay in full the actual cost of the privileges which they enjoy. In this respect the Young Men's Christian Association is not unlike the colleges and universities and other benevolent institutions that are supported by subscription or endowment. The Association receives a fairly good income from rentals by clubs and organizations that use parts of the building, but in addition to all of the rental income and membership fees the Association will still have to raise in subscription about $7,000 a year. A large portion of this is fairly sure each year because the Association has a large list of sustaining members and donors. The management is hopeful that in the future it will receive from some of its friends additional endowment that will make the work of raising money each year less and less.

The Physical department and Boys' Work department is growing so rapidly that it requires each year more money to properly sustain it. Both of these departments will be greatly benefited by endowment.

The management desire to express at this opportunity and at every other, their appreciation of the generous help it has received from the many benevolent people of the city of Hartford. It is the hope of the management to make the work of the Association so valuable to this city that all good people will count it a pleasure to help sustain this work.

During this month the second term of the Hillyer Institute commenced with a splendid enrollment. In the Boys' department unusually large meetings are being held each Sunday afternoon under the leadership of John M Dick, so well known as a worker among boys. An average of 350 boys will attend these meetings. An effort is being made to enlist the boys in a special department of Bible study. The plan is to register at least 100 boys and at this date 66 are enrolled. They are divided into five classes, each class in charge of a competent young man, and the course of study is designed to give the boys a knowledge of the Bible as a whole in reference to its history, construction, divisions, etc. In addition there will be a short character study each Sunday of some well known Bible man.

The gospel services for men, now being held in the New Hartford Opera House, are reaching a large number of men. The average attendance for the last three weeks being over 600. Since October 15th, over sixty men have been personally dealt with and many of these it is hoped will be led into an active Christian life.

The fiscal year of the Association closes April 30th, and active work is now being done to secure the rest of the money necessary to close the year with all accounts provided for. This was done a year ago, and it is confidently expected that this year will close in the same way, but if that happy end is reached it will only be when the friends who so generously gave last year, do the same this year.

WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

Among items of interest reported by our president, Mrs. Forbes, from the National Convention recently held in Fort Worth, Texas, are the following:

The delegates to the convention numbered 293.

Cotton picking, of which there are five or six harvestings, was witnessed on the journey.

The sessions of the convention were largely attended, some traveling five hundred miles in the state. Owverflo meetings were held and hundreds were unable to obtain admission.

A gavel of the horn of the caribou was presented to the National W. C. T. U. by the W. C. T.U. of Manilla.

So great was the interest aroused by the convention that the Texas president predicted an increase of five hundred in their membership.

One delegate was present from Switzerland, one from London, and some from Mexico.

Eighty thousand school children last year saved $182,922.07 through the school savings banks.

The next National Convention is to be held in Portland, Me. The next world's convention will be held in Toronto, Canada.

SHELTER FOR WOMEN.

Our work is growing in interest and power. We have had an unusually large family through the winter, a number of girls have yielded their hearts to God and we have seen His power manifested in their lives.

Our Christmas gathering was an especially happy one it being a time of reunion with the former members of our family. A very nice dinner was served to a large number and in the evening a company of sixty enjoyed our Christmas tree and entertainment. The exercises were opened by prayer and singing. Mr. L. Occupin gave a pleasing recitation. Mr. Jennison read "The Bird's Christmas Carol" and Miss Hadley read an original poem. Mrs. George Smith favored us with a number of musical selections on the piano. The presents were then distributed and refreshments of ice cream and cake were afterward served to the company.

Seventy-two donations have been received in the past month and for the past three months we have received from our "Clothing Bureau" and from lodgings $150.

We very much regret losing Miss Hadley from our work and know that she will be missed throughout the city. She has returned to her home in Indiana.

Our Friday morning services are conducted by Mr. Fulton of the Seminary. Mr. Butterfield and Mr. Perkins have also assisted. Our Sabbath afternoon services are still in charge of Mr. Jennison. Rev. R. Elsden of Wethersfield and Mr. Jones of the Institute for the Blind have kindly helped during the past weeks.

ADDITIONAL CHURCHES.

FARMINGTON AVENUE CONGREGATIONAL.

The Chinese Sunday-school has changed its place of meeting and is now held in our upper Sunday-school room at 4 p. m. Strangers are welcome.

Our Endeavor meeting on Sunday was especially interesting having for its topic "Our favorite chapters and what we have gotten out of them." The leader was our pastor.

On Thursday, Jan. 16th, the Girls Mission Circle will meet at 4 p. m. in the church parlors.

The Mission Study Class recently organized will meet directly at close of the Thursday evening prayer meeting. The subject is "China," and the leader is Mr. Fred B. Hill, of the Seminary.

All young men are urged to attend the Allen Bible class, now under the instruction of Prof. Lewis B. Paton.

Mrs. Leonora D. Bliss united with this church on confession of faith, April 7th, 1878, and died in this city, Jan. 6th, 1902.

The annual meeting and election of officers was held Thursday, Jan. 9th.

The New Year's reception was well attended, despite the extremely cold weather, and all who braved it were well repaid.

MEMORIAL BAPTIST.

The principal feature of the Sunday-school entertainment at Christmas, was a cantata entitled, "The Tables Turned," where Santa Claus was the receiver instead of the giver. Nearly all the parts were taken by the younger members of the school. A Christmas party was given for the primary department with a tree and gifts. Our cradle roll is growing and was well represented at that time.

The annual election of the officers of the Sunday-school was held on New Year's eve. The following officers were elected: Sup't., W O. Shelley; ass t, A. E. Fish; sec'y, H. L. Burnham; ass't, E. L. Bestor; treas., F. L. Barton; librarian, Geo. Fowler; ass't Mr. Chamberlin; sup't of Prim ry Department, Mrs. C. O. Purinton. It was only at the urgent request of Mr. H. H. Dickinson, the former superintendent, that he was not elected again. He has faithfully served the school in that office for more than fifteen years.

The business meeting was followed by a watch night service. We listened to a very interesting sermon by Rev. George D. Gould of Rockville.

The B. Y. P. U. has elected the following officers for the next six months: Pres. A. E. Fish; vice-pres., J. H. Wheeler; sec'y, Miss Florence Hale; treas., Miss Lottie Jameson. The B. Y. P. U. meetings are full of interest. We have welcomed a number of the boys and girls as associate members, hoping they will soon be active ones.

Mr. and Mrs. Dickinson gave an informal reception to the officers and teachers of the Bible school, at their home on Fairfield avenue. The evening was much enjoyed by all.

The week of prayer has been observed by special meetings, which will be continued for another week. These meetings have been very well attended and full of interest. We feel that it has been a time of reconsecration for Christ's followers. There are others who have begun this New Year with Christ as their master.

ST. THOMAS CHURCH.

A very handsome brass and oak Litany desk has been placed in the church. It is a memorial from the parish, of the Rev. Edward Coffin Gardner, second rector of the parish. Mr. Gardner died about a year ago, and is buried in Spring Grove Cemetery.

Sunday, Dec. 8th, Mr Warner officiated in Christ church, Unionville, afternoon and evening, baptizing five infants at the afternoon service, and preaching an Advent sermon in the evening.

Wednesday, Dec. 4h, the ladies of the Guild held their annual Christmas sale and supper in the parish house, afternoon and evening. It was largely attended and very successful.

A very impressive service was held in the church New Year's eve., beginning at 11.30 p. m. The Holy Communion was celebrated immediately after twelve o'clock. It was more largely attended than any previous midnight service.

UNITY CHURCH.

The Christmas entertainment was held on the evening of Dec. 30th. It opened with selections by the choir and a Christmas song by Ella Bascom. This was followed by a dialogue, "A Christmas Reunion." The character of Mother Goose was taken by Florence Griswold, Father Christmas by Mr. Frank Mather and Santa Claus by Frank Preston. Mother Goose's children were represented by the children of the Sunday-school. Santa Claus led the way to the parlor where there was a brilliant Christmas tree, and the presents were distributed. Ice cream was passed and a social hour enjoyed.

Miss Rearden gave a party for the young people on the evening of Jan. 1st. The hall and tables were beautifully decorated with the Christmas colors. The patronesses were Miss Rearden, Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Husband, Mrs. Root and Mrs. Carroll. The music was furnished by Mrs. Husband. The grand march was led by Mr. Frank Mather and Miss Florence Moses. It was said to be the prettiest party ever given in the parlors.

On Thursday, Jan. 9th, the annual meeting of the Charitable Society was held, the following officers being chosen: Pres. Mrs. Carroll; vice-pres. Mrs. Waite; sec'y, and treas., Mrs. Baker; directors, Mrs. Dickinson, Mrs. May and Mrs. Clark.

GLENWOOD CONGREGATIONAL.

On Dec. 18th, the Ladies Society gave their annual sale and supper in Glenwood Hall which proved to be a great success.

On Dec. 20th, the Junior C. E. Society held a social in the chapel.

On Christmas eve, our regular Christmas concert and tree was the attraction, a large number attending.

The first full week of the New Year was observed as a week of prayer. Rev. Mr. Marsh and Rev. Mr. Twitchell addressed two of the meetings. On Jan. 15th, 16th and 17th, special services were held in the church.

At the last trustees' meeting, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Avery presented to the church, through the board, a bell which was gratefully accepted. It has been transferred to the tower of the church and Sunday, Jan. 12th, it pealed forth its tones from its new quarters.

Our mission study class is very enthusiastic. On Sunday, Jan. 12th, Mr. Hirayama, a Japanese student at the Seminary, spoke about the religious life of Japan. It was a very interesting and educating address.

On Jan. 22nd, the C. E. Society is to have its annual Mark Down Supper" in Glenwood to be served at 5 o'clock

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

The Loyal Workers' Society held its semi-annual meeting for the election of officers and committees Dec. 13th. Some few changes were made, not from necessity, however.

New Year's eve was spent in an interesting manner from early evening till after midnight, the Sunday-school occupying the first part of the evening with a concert and distribution of gifts, after which was a sermon by Rev. Mr. Goudey followed by a watch night service conducted by our pastor through which quite a little company remained.

(Additional Churches page 15.)

ADDITIONAL BOOK NOTICES.

What Was His Duty? By George Hyde Lee. 221 pages, 16 mo. Washington: The Neale Company. Price $1.00.

The question of duty comes even to the literary man. Sometimes he has temptations in his work that mean much or little to him according to his attitude toward the temptation.

The present story is of a problem in literary life and how it was met. The literary atmosphere of the story gives it a distinctive charm. Among the characters introduced, though under fictitious names, are Longfellow and Charles Dickens.

'Tilda Jane. By Marshall Saunders. 287 pages, 12 mo. Boston: L. C. Page & Co. Price $1.50.

This, the latest story by the author of "Beautiful Joe," ran serially in the Youth's Companion before appearing in its present form.

'Tilda Jane is an orphan girl who ran away from an asylum in Maine and found her way into Canada among the simple, k'ndly peasants of the border. The simple story is written for girls and is a charming one, with a moral apparent but not in any way forced and an interest that is entirely wholesome.

The Van Dwellers. By Albert Bigelow Paine. 191 pages, 16 mo. New York: J. F. Talyor & Co. Price 75 cents.

The narrative account of a strenuous quest for a small home in a great city, the vicissitudes of 'moving", the encounters with landlords, janitors, boarding-mistresses, van men, and other people, related with delicious humor and vivid brightness, make a story as readable as it is human. There is nothing trite in the dialogue or incident, but much that is amusing The author of "The Bread Line" has entered a new field, and he takes the sympathy of the reader along with him.

The Casting of Nets. By Richard Bagot. 362 pages, 12 mo. New York: John Lane. Price $1.50.

The story of an effort to convert a man to an allegiance to a religious sect, whose creed was abhorrent to him. The means taken transcended the usual laws of fairness and strict morality. Much suffering resulted and no good came, save as the chastening so unwillingly endured, cleansed the heart and instilled nobler motives.

The story is ably written and is full of satirical power. The author shows a familiarity with the customs and tenets of the creed he attacks, not common to novelists. Consequently he has taken full advantage of dramatic possibilities to produce an intensely interesting novel.

ADDITIONAL CHURCHES.

BLOOMFIELD CONGREGATIONAL

The annual meeting of the church, Wed. evening, Jan. 1st, was a decided success. A social hour was enjoyed, followed by a most excellent supper, at which about one hundred persons sat down. Then came the reports for the year 1901 and election of officers for 1902.

The clerk's report showed that the membership on Jan 1st was 140. During the year two members have died, Mr. Charles R. Watkins and Mrs. Rose Belden Barnard; two have been dismissed to the Windsor Ave. Church in Hartford, and four names have been dropped from the roll. One person has united with the church on profession of faith

Deacon Cadwell was elected to succeed himself as deacon for three years. Mr. N. F. Miller was re-elected superintendent of the Sunday-school and Mr. H. C. Cadwell retains his position as sec'y and treas. The only changes made were in the executive committee of the Sunday-school and in the lady asst. sup't.

At the roll call sixty-three persons answered to their names and there were forty-six communications from absentees, leaving only thirty-one who did not respond.

Mrs. Calvin Briggs has been a member of the church since May, 1834, twenty-four years before the present church edifice was built.

The Christmas entertainment was well attended and greatly enjoyed by the children. The tree was a pleasing sight, containing presents for all the children, together with an orange and bag of candy.

The week from Jan. 12th to 17th was chosen for the week of prayer in order to take advantage of the moon. For reasons which seemed good and conconclusive, union services were not held this year. This does not indicate any lack of harmony between the churches, but simply that they believed better results could be obtained and the way opened for union services later on.

ASYLUM HILL CONGREGATIONAL

In the past summer a Young People's Federation, composed of a joint organization of the various clubs and societies in the church, was formed, its object being to concentrate efforts along specific lines. One of the committees of this Federation recently inaugurated the Men's Class which meets every Sunday about 12 o'clock. Two meetings have already been held and audiences each time of over fifty listened to addresses by Mr. J. M. Allen on "Truth in Business," and Mr. Arthur Perkins on "Causes of Crime."

On Sunday, Jan. 17th, Rev. Mr. Twitchell will speak on "The Higher Criticism" and the Sunday following, Mr. Meigs Whaples will speak on "The Moral Responsibility of Bankers."

On Friday evening an entertainment called "A Trip Around the World" was given by our young people, and was greatly enjoyed by all who attended.

SOUTH CONGREGATIONAL.

The congregation was much grieved when the death of Elmer E Brown was announced from the pulpit at the morning service on Jan. 12th. Mr. Brown was not only a member of this church, but a sincere and valuable worker in it; he taught a class of young ladies in the Sunday-school, until failing health and business cares compelled him to resign it, and he was an occasional leader in the young people's meetings, where he was always listened to with attention and spoke words of truth and wisdom. In manner he was quiet and retiring, but possessed of noble and true qualities of soul which won him many warm friends. Death came peacefully as was fitting for him; and yet it was not death but life immortal.

The Young People's Society has issued their new topic cards. It has, we believe, the most promising list of topics and most efficient committees of any recent year.

The annual meeting of the Sunday-school occurs Jan. 19th. The pastor's annual reception, marking this year, the close of the forty-second year of his pastorate, was held at the parsonage Saturday afternoon and evening, Jan. 11th, and was, in spite of the storm, a most successful and enjoyable affair.

FIRST METHODIST.

The first week of January was observed as week of prayer. The meetings were largely attended and proved very helpful to all.

The Ladies' Aid Society is to have a turkey dinner and supper at the Y. M. C. A., in connection with their bazaar.

The League is planning a supper to be given by the young men in the near future.

Mr. John Cary fills the vacancy, as first vice pres., caused by the resignation of Mr. Greenlief Snow.

A miscellaneous program was enjoyed, after which, the little folks received toys, games and candy from a tree. Mr. I. H. Coe presented the

usual rewards for learning memory verses of Sunday-school lessons.

The Christmas festival for the children of the Sunday-school, was held Thursday night, Dec. 26th, in the church parlors. The decorations were of evergreen tied with red ribbon.

TRINITY CHURCH, WETHERSFIELD.

The Sunday-school enjoyed its annual Christmas tree and festival in the parish house where each member received gifts. Mr. Farnival, Sunday-school sup't, was the recipient of a ten dollar gold piece, the gift of the pupils and teachers of the Sunday-school. Mr. Rieland received a purse of thirty dollars from the church people.

The Men's Club had a Christmas tree in the parish house, Tuesday evening, Jan. 7th. Among the gifts distributed was a roll top desk to Mr. Rieland. The desk was presented with a speech by Mr. Wm. Lux.

On Sunday, Jan. 12th, a class of five was baptized. In the evening Mr. Rieland presented a class of fifteen to the bishop for confirmation.

The Shakespeare Club cordially invite the public to attend a lecture, Wednesday evening, the 15th, inst., at 7.30 in the parish house.

The United Workers have been appointed by the vestry to give a social in the parish house, the first Wednesday evening of every month.

FIRST BAPTIST.

The announcement given to our Sunday-school, on Dec. 29th, of the resignation of the officers of the school after many years of service, was a source of great surprise to nearly all of us and it caused much regret. Many improvements and attractive features have been added and the number attending been greatly augmented under their leadership. The new superintendent, Mr. Curtis P. Gladding, we are confident, will take up the work with ability and sincerity of purpose, with the hearty co-operation of his asociate officers and the members of the school.

Our church has acted on the recommendation of the church committee and voted to ask the Rev. Dr. Shepardson to come to us to aid our pastor in special services. Dr. Shepardson comes to our church Sunday, February 23d.

Major Geo. A. Hilton spoke in our church on the evening of Sunday, Dec. 15th. His temperance address before the W. C. T. U., who were our guests that evening, was forceful.

The New Year's morning prayer meeting this year was led by Prof. T. Harwood Pattison, the pastor's father. The attendance was unusually large.

The socials planned for the winter, one every month, are proving very helpful.

On Wednesday evening, Dec. 8th, the regular meeting of the Young Men's League was held. Rev. R. H. Potter, of Center church, and Mr. Griffin, of the Hartford Art School, were the speakers.

ST. JAMES CHURCH.

We are recovering from the effects of the recent fire, and with the help of the Hartford Fire Insurance Company, expect to have everything in good shape soon.

Our Christmas tree celebration was held as usual last month, about 200 children being present and receiving gifts.

The Ladies' Missionary Society, the Rector's Aid Society and the Girls' Friendly Society united in giving a house warming in the new parish house, Wednesday evening, Jan. 15th, from 8 to 10 p. m. A large number were present and passed a very pleasant evening.

THE OPEN HEARTH.

The Christmas festival with the reception for parents and friends of the mission, and the festival and Christmas tree for the children held one week later, will be long remembered as among the most enjoyable of the many occasions that have marked Superintendent Miller's thirteen years work at the Open Hearth.

The interest felt by those who attend the evening meetings is marked and it is often impossible to accommodate all who would be glad to attend. At almost every meeting members profess their wish to lead a better life and it is believed that the winter's work will produce great and lasting results. The call for temporal help, such as a lodging or lunch, is frequent, and no hungry person is turned away. Our citizens desirous of aiding those who apply to them should do so not by giving money, but by giving orders on the Open Hearth, to be paid for by them, and thus the state of the applicant when he presents the order and his wish to reform can be ascertained.

The Branch at No. 84 Babcock street, established one month ago, is already in a most flourishing condition and the room is crowded each Sunday afternoon and on Friday evenings with an attentive congregation. Many have experienced an entire change in their lives through the work done there and much good has been and yet remains to be effected.

The great want of the Open Hearth is a building suited to its growing needs and this, it is hoped, will soon be provided.

BUSINESS AND PLEASURE.

Bailey & Potter have sold to James L. and Annie H. Harlan, house on Wetherseld avenue, for Nettie M. Potter; to Fred W. Buckland, farm of forty-two acres in North Manchester, for E. S. Lans; to Leon Boniface, lot on Garden street, for James Nichols and others; to Eugene D. Mills, house on Barber street, for Lester L. Potter; to Harriet Hart, farm in East Hartford, for H. G. Beaumont; to G. W. Darlin, for Alice G. Goodrich, two houses with land on Darlin street.

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HARTFORD UNION NOTES.

The January meeting will be held Tuesday evening, January 21st, at 7.45 in Park church. Rev. Russell H. Hall of New Britain, president of the State Union, will be the chief speaker of the evening, his address to be "How every Endeavorer may be a soul-winner." Other subjects and speakers are: "The revival we need," Rev. H. H. Kelsey. "Why every Endeavorer should be a soul-wiuner," Dr. E. H. Munger, pres. The collection will be donated to the North Street Settlement. This is carrying out a plan proposed by the finance committee and voted upon at our annual meeting, that we give our collections to some non-sectarian cause, not too local iu character. This is a worthy institutiou.

Mr. W. M. F. Rouud, cor. sec'y' Prison Association, New York, is to be in the city January 18th and 19th. Judge Warner, sup't jail and prison work of the State Union asks that Endeavorers make an especial effort to attend these meetings.

The directors of the Union met Friday, Jan. 3rd, at 7.30, in Y. M. C. A. parlors and had quite a large attendance. We were glad to have with us that evening our ex-president, Mr. Goslee, and the new missionary sup't, Mr. James R. Tucker.

The sec'y of the Union made a visit on Sunday to the Unionville society and found them doing good work and with every prospect of a strong society in the near future. May God help them to bear fruit abuudantly.

GRACE D. THAYER, Sec'y.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

Dear Endeavorers:

The children who were privileged to attend the Junior Rally at the South Baptist church, on Dec. 14th, enjoyed Mr. Logan's talk and were greatly helped by it. Why not form a Juuior Society in your church?

Our entertainment at the prison was a success and we hope that good will come from it.

You will have an opportuuity during the coming week to hear Mr. Wm. M. F. Round, the best speaker on Penology in the country. Watch the papers for date and place and go and hear him, that you may be informed upon the ueeds of our state.

Tuesday evening, January 21st, the Union will hold a meeting at the Park Congregational church. The exercises will begin promptly at 7.45 p. m. The subject will be "Evangelistic Endeavor." The speaker will be the Rev. Russell T. Hall, president of the Conn. C. E. Union, Rev. H. H. Kelsey and your president. Come to this meeting and bring with you all the Endeavorers you can.

Mr. James R. Tucker, principal of East Hartford High School, is your new missionary superiuteudent. He will be glad to help your society to increase its missionary interest.

Mr. Nelson B. Bassett continues as chairman of the finance committee.

Mr. Emil Pfunder is chairman of the Lookout committee. Please help him and the members of his committee who visit your society, by giving them all the information you cau in regard to the work of your society. We will be glad to help you but we need your co-operation in order to succeed.

The collection at the meeting to be held next week Tuesday will be given to the work of the North Street Settlement.

Yours in C. E.,
EDWIN H. MUNGER, Pres.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS.

(From the Presbyterian C. E. Manual)

Sun. Jan. 19. Caleb: choosing a hard thing. Josh. 14: 6-14.

CALEB'S STRONG POINTS.

He was a man of sublime faith. When ten of the spies doubted God's promises, he believed and was ready to go forward.

He was a man of noble courage. The other spies were frightened at the giants and the fierce people, but he quailed not.

He did not ask a garden spot as his portion, but a hill-country, filled with giants, which he would have to drive out before he could take possession.

The hero longs for the front rank. He is not content to be only a camp soldier. Are we choosing hard things to do for God? Or are we begging off from the things which cost?

Half the battle is in the soldier's spirit. At Chattanooga the regimeuts went up Missionary Ridge in spite of the opinion of their own generals that the heights were impregnable.

Sun. Jan. 26. Missions: the missionary awakening. In my heart, my church, Christ's Church everywhere. Rom. 13: 10-14.

FOUNDATION PRINCIPLES.

Love is the beginning. The duty of missions is one branch of the great tree of love.

'Love," says Leibnitz, "is that which finds its felicity in another's good."

"Love worketh no ill to his neighbor." But that is ouly the negative side. It has also a vast positive side. If we have the love of Christ in our heart that love will lead us, as it led him, to do all we can, at whatever cost, to bring all men into the kingdom of God.

THE ROUND WORLD.

Every year makes the world smaller and more neighborly by reducing time and distance. Africa is nearer to-day than Ohio was a century ago.

The heathen are now our neighbors. Livingston's prophecy—"The world is gettiug closer, smaller, quite a compact affair. The world for Christ will yet be realized"—is proving truer every day.

Sun. Feb. 2. Christian Endeavor Day (twenty-first birthday). Matt. 25:31-46.

COMING OF AGE.

We come of age to-day. Tweuty-one years has seen an infant society grow to a giant organization. It is a fit time to plan new work for our maturer strength.

When we come of age we should put away childish things. Whatever there may be of crudeuess, of rashness, of impatience, of things that ought to be outgrown in our work, let us now leave it behind, once for all.

The twentieth century has great things for us to do. The problems of better politics, better cities, better social conditions are waiting for our help to solve them. We come of age in a strenuous time, which asks our best strength and our most energetic thought.

Sun. Feb. 9. The pathway to peace. John 14:25-31.; Isa. 26:3.

THE REMEDY FOR RESTLESSNESS

The mark of the modern world is restlessness. Competition is fierce, amusement is eagerly sought, excitement drains vitality. The pace kills, yet the racing grows faster and faster every year.

The root of restlessness is an unsatisfied soul. We crave change, riches, excitements, because life is empty the moment we stop. When life is full and satisfying, and only then, we will lose our desire to hurry on.

"O Lord," said Augustine, long ago, "thou hast made our hearts restless, that they may rest in thee." The path to God is the ouly path to peace. Its finger posts are obedience, faith, and prayer.

A single sin, kept and cherished, can block the pathway to peace for years—or forever.

SCENT.

It should be remembered that the basis of all perfumes is an essential oil of some kind, derived either naturally from flowers or leaves or artificially by a synthetic process, says The Lancet. In either case the essential oil is a powerful antiseptic and possesses disinfecting properties not less in degree than those of carbolic acid itself. As it is well known, the essential oils absorb atmospheric oxygen, forming an unstable compound easily lend-oxygen for the work of purification. Pine oil, eucalyptus oil, and turpentine act readily in this manner—a fact which probably accounts for the salubrity of the air of pine forests and eucalyptus woods. The use of scent by many women is excessive, and by men is looked upon as effeminate—a prejudice that we confess to sharing—and yet the question naturally arises: As we study our environment to please the eye by color and natural effects and to please the ear by musical notes, why should we not make similar endeavor to please the nose by agreeable and fragrant odors? Each sense may suffer offense and there is no reason why each sense should not be equally defended in this regard. And the use of scent on the pocket-handkerchief, which is where we commonly find it, is calculated to exercise a higher office than merely to please the sense of smell. The handkerchief may easily prove a source of infection, for it is made to be the common receptacle of secretions from the nose and mouth, and the employment of an antiseptic handkerchief is perfectly consistent with the dictates of common bacteriological evidences. The liberal use of scent on the handkerchief is calculated to make it antiseptic and to destroy the germs in it, owing to the action partly of the spirit of the scent and partly of the essential oils dissolved in the spirit. Before, therefore, we condemn the persons who use scent upon the handkerchief for practising a foppish or luxurious habit we should remember that they may actually be doing good to their neighbors by checking the distribution of infectious materials.—Scientific American.

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WHERE SQUARE PIANOS GO.

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"Probably half the people in New York having pianos have the old-fashioned square," says a piano man. "It is certain that about half the number of people who come to buy have square pianos which they wish us to take on account for a new piano.

"It is eighteen or twenty years or more since the square pianos have been made, but a piano is an expensive instrument, and people who have them do not change frequently. So it is usually when the instrument is becoming really old or a generation of young people is growing up in the family that they decide to exchange the old square for an upright or possibly for a grand piano.

"Many of these old square pianos were extra good ones in their day, and the owners cannot understand why we do not make a liberal allowance for them. 'Why, we paid $800 for that piano,' a woman will say. As a matter of fact, they are worth practically nothing to us, not the value of the carting often. We do, however, make some allowance on them. It may be $50 or $75, according to the value of the piano they are purchasing, and the amount we can afford to throw off. You see, this is letting you into the inside of our business affairs.

"With the pianos themselves we can do nothing but sell them as they stand. We are often glad to get $15 for them. There are people who are glad to pay this sometimes, and so we dispose of them.

"Most of these old square pianos go to the West. A man will come on here, learn tuning pianos and putting them in order. He will come to us when he is ready to start for home and see what arrangements he can make to get a stock of old pianos. We very likely have a number on hand.

"Possibly he makes an offer for them, and we may let him have the lot for $100. He takes them off with him puts them in first-class condition, and the farmers of the West are glad to buy them on the installment plan or in some other convenient way for their daughters, and the buyer is able to get his money back on them and make quite a percentage. If they are good pianos they are worth the money that is paid for them, and will do good service and give great pleasure during their second lease of life."

A recent writer says: "We are more apt to see the comfort in the words, 'She hath done what she could,' than the solemnity of them. They are a tender recognition, but a tremendous challenge. 'What she could' means *all* she could. The Master compares us not with others, but with ourselves,--there is the mercy; but with our *best* selves, with our possible selves,--there is the rub. What I did subtracted from what I might have done gives the bad remainder, the immoral debit, the moral discredit."

Our Leader knows all of life's paths.

Holiness is a birthright often sold cheaply.

It is always a bad bargain when sensuality and avarice deal.

Every compromising Christian repeats Esau's sin.

Pleasure is the pottage for which many a birthright has been sold.

We are heirs to heaven, yet our birthright may be sold.

It is nobler to die a king than to live a knave.

Satan offers each of us pottage after our taste.

The word is a lamp, so saints need never be in darkness.

The word is strength, so saints need never be helpless.

The word is food, so saints need never be hungry.

The word is a teacher, so saints need never be ignorant.

The word is a companion, so saints need never be lonely.

Only sin can sever the sheep from the Shepherd.

We cannot live loyally until we let the Lord lead.

Remember we are builders, not architects, of history and life.

A boy's yearning for fame grows into a man's care for reputation.

We must answer for our actions, God will answer for our powers.

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Illustrated short fiction has a prominent place in Scribner's for January. The story of the return of an artist from Paris to the "Penyrile" district of Kentucky is most amusingly and even pathetically described by Ewan Macpherson. The illustrations by Keller are reproduced in color.

Are England, Scotland and Ireland destined, ultimaely, to become a part of "The United States of America and Great Britain"? is the startling inquiry which William T. Stead makes in the January Cosmopolitan. He has been one of the prophets of Great Britain, and has, at all times, been able to see in advance of his contemporaries—as events have proven. He has been studying the new conditions brought about by the industrial combinations and reaches the conclusion that as soon as the English people wake up to the absurdity and general uselessness, as has been shown in the Boer War, of a king and aristocracy, the trend will be immediate in the direction of a union with the people of the United States

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The January number of the Woman's Home Companion contains some especially strong fiction. "The Reincarnation of Captain John Radnor" is continued; Edgar Fawcett contributes "A Weird Kind of Wooing"; J. J. a'Becket "By Advice of the Doctor," while Kate Upson Clark weaves a touching story around "A Horse-Chestnut Tree."

With "The Era of Exclusiveness is Past" for a text The World's Work for January devotes its space largely to the political and commercial expansion of the country.

Something of the home life of Mrs. Browning is revealed in Dr. Elliott's first chapter of "A Group of Notable Women," beginning in the January Delineator, will give lovers of her poems a new insight into the family circle which surrounded her during her residence in Italy. Mrs. Browning is described as petite beyond all imagining, being scarcely larger than an ordinary child of twelve years, her face pallid and her eyes superb.

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A cynic being informed that a certain New York woman was making a career for herself in the real estate business, snarled that a woman who would attend to her own business would be a still grater wonder. Mary E. Stickney, in the January Era, writes entertainingly of certain women in Colorado, who do attend to their own business, and that with most profitable results.

The January "National Magazine" of Boston will contain the first of a series of articles by Senator Mark Hanna, of Ohio, on the career of his friend, the late President William McKinley. No other man was so warmly devoted to McKinley or so closely in touch with him. These articles will embody the Senator's estimate of his friend's character and life work, and give many interesting incidents of his career.

With "Bobs" and Kruger. By Federic William Unger. 412 pages, crown, 8 vo. Phila.: Henry T. Coates & Co. Price $2.00.

The author writes with singular frankness of scenes witnessed by himself while acting as correspondent of the London "Daily Express", in South Africa, during the Boer war. Mr. Unger, according to his statement, was at different times in the field with both the Boer and the English armies and so may well prove that he knows both sides of the story, as well as both sides of the conflict.

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The Eternal City. By Hall Caine. 638 pages, 12 mo. New York: D. Appleton & Co. Price $1.50.

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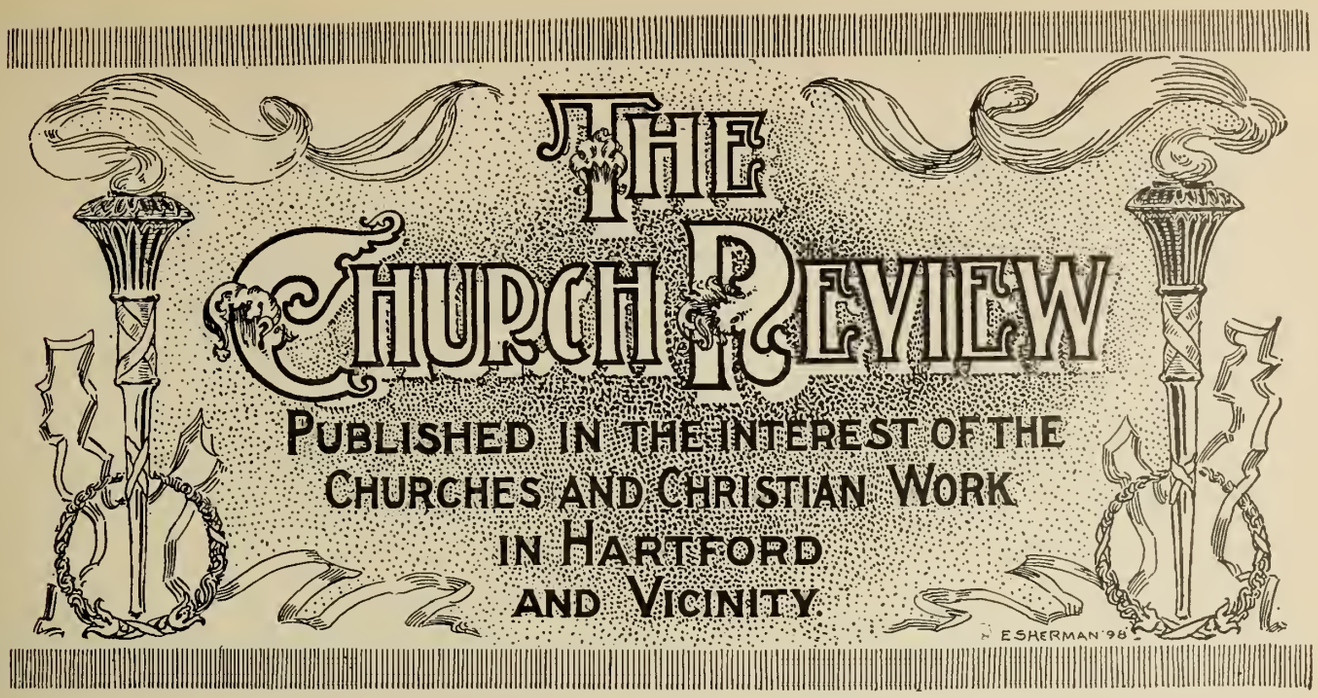


WHAT OF THY HOUR?

By George Klingle.

What of thy hour just past?
The record of that hour shall last
When time is spent.
What record went
Of thought and deed,
Marked thine, the Judge may read
And put beneath thy name?
Was it an hour of worth or shame,
Of gold or dross,
Of gain, or of eternal loss?

How were the moments God hath given thee spent?
Dropped one by one and lost, or sent
On errands some Christ-work to do?
What superscription did they bear for you
To yonder world? Was God or time
Stamped on the moments? That no crime
Stained their fair hue
Is not enough. To God is due
Return of loves sweet breath;
Of sacrifice through life, through death;
Of hours stamped deeply with his name;
Of moments kindled into flame
To lighten time.
Count up returns of thine;
They will thy riches be
Throughout eternity.

—C. E. World.

Faith could move mountains, mountains now shake faith.

Not to have any trials of sufferings in this life would make us feel very small when we come to meet Paul and the other apostles in Heaven. The home-guard finds it hard to understand the conversation of old veterans.

TWO FAREWELL ADDRESSES.

It was the year 1796. The time for the third presidential election was drawing near. Washington had already manifested his purpose of retiring at the expiration of his second term. Many had expressed the opinion that his withdrawal from office would prove disastrous to the young republic. The European wars furnished sufficient evidence to the minds of such that it was his imperative duty to remain at least another four years. On the other hand there were many who feared he would listen to the seeming "call," waive his well earned rights to retirement and rest from public affairs, and again become the presidential candidate. As in other matters of business, he was firm in his determination to close his public career with this term of office. Four years previously he had contemplated the same course, but the condition of public affairs was such, that much against his own judgment he yielded to the wishes of patriotic friends. He had then outlined a farewell address which Mr. Madison had put into shape, but at this time his personal relations were somewhat "strained" with Madison and he now sought the literary ability of Alexander Hamilton. Mr. Hamilton in a letter dated May 10th, 1796, thus wrote his chief:— ' When last in Philadelphia you mentioned to me your wish that I should 're-dress' a certain paper which you had prepared. As it is important that a thing of this kind should be done with great care and much at leisure, touched and retouched, I submit a wish that, as soon as you have given it the body you mean it to have, it may be sent to me. The document was immediately forwarded to Hamilton with this request: "If you should think best to throw the whole thing into a different form, let me request, notwithstanding, that my draft be returned to me (along with yours) with such amendments and corrections as to render it as perfect as the formation is susceptible of; curtailed, if too verbose, and relieved of all tautology not necessary to enforce the ideas in the original or quoted part. My wish is that the whole may appear in a plain style; and be handed to the public, in an honest, unaffected simple garb."

What had been the work of Madison, what were the suggestions of Hamilton, is of little moment, the conception was that of Washington and will be honored as one of the choicest gems among those which the father of his country has bequeathed to his descendents.

On the 17th of September it was published in the ' Daily Advertiser" of Philadelphia and produced such a widespread and profound sensation that several of the state legislatures ordered it spread on their journals.

The second Farewell Address was delivered within twelve days of one hundred and five years after that of Washington, by the first president of the twentieth century, William McKinley. He had been invited to attend the Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo, and there address his fellow countrymen. Sitting with his private secretary a few weeks before, he inadvertently dropped a remark which the keen-sighted Cortelyou took down and in the privacy of the library placed before him, remarking, "There is your Buffalo speech." From this single thought Mr. McKinley evolved that remarkable document that has

been the admiration of the country and the world. It embodies the spirit and life of one of the purest men who has ever held the office of Chief Magistrate of his great people.

I have termed it a "Farewell Address." Washington had intended his as such, and with great care had so prepared it that succeeding generations have taken pride in the Father of his Country.

McKinley, so far as we know, had not the shadow of a thought that these were to be his last public utterances. But so great is the hand of the master manifested, so skillfully the art of the diplomat here portrayed, that it is doubtful had he known his destiny he would or could have improved or changed his manner of speech. It is a master-piece of its kind.

Washington was about completing his second term and had utterly refused his name for further consideration. McKinley had but commenced his second term, and though looming up as a formidable candidate for a third term three years hence, he had declared his determination to retire to private life.

Washington felt the need of a growing intercourse between the various sections of the union which to him at that time seemed large, and proposed the question, "Is there a doubt whether a common government can embrace so large a sphere?" and answered it by remarking, "Let experience solve it."

One hundred and five years after this that "common government" had been severely tested in civil strife and the Spanish war, had gradually extended its limits with the setting sun, till the waters of the Pacific washed its western shores, and the isles of the Orient listened to the sound of its national airs, and with a prosperity unprecedented, McKinley could say, We have a vast and intricate business built up through toil and struggle, in which every part of the country has its stake, which will not permit either of neglect or of undue selfishness. . . . Our industrial enterprises, which have grown to such proportions, affect the homes and occupations of the people and the welfare of the country. ' He had answered Washington's question.

Washington had longed for peace with other nations and had said, "The nation which indulges toward another nation habitual hatred, or an habitual fondness, is in some degree a slave," but with pathetic feeling warned his countrymen against foreign alliances, for experience had taught him that a strong dislike was manifested by European nations for republican governments.

McKinley addressed a larger nation, with its commerce world-wide, and said, "Let us ever remember that our interests are in accord, not conflict, and that our real eminence rests in the victories of peace, not those of war. . . . Our earnest prayer is that God will graciously vouchsafe prosperity, happiness and peace to all our neighbors, and like blessings to all the peoples and powers of the earth."

The first Farewell was published to an infant nation whose undertaking in self-government was but an experiment.

The last Farewell greeted a nation with a hundred years of eventful experience; one that had grown from weakness to strength; from a puny infant to a strong giant; from one despised among the nations of antiquity, to a mighty factor in settling the questions of the Orient.

To every young student of history these two documents, the first appearing at the beginning and the second at the closing of the first century of our national existence, present a most interesting comparison. They were the utterances of the first men of their times who had been honored and loved by a grateful nation. They will ever manifest to our youth the meaning of that word so dear to every American, "patriotism"—Edwin Alonzo Blake, Ph D.

Mr. Moody said: "The promise is, 'Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee.' Now, as long as our minds are stayed on our dear selves, we shall never have peace."

Some Christians expect to get peace out of their own spiritual experiences. But we cannot make peace; we must receive it.

Right action is its own reward.

We create the clouds which hide our sun.

To serve others is to serve ourselves truly.

The way to final freedom is within thyself.

Aye, great is he who is the slayer of desire.

Every man is the architect of his own fortune.

If sun thou canst not be, then be the humble planet.

The wise ones tarry not in pleasure-ground of senses.

Joy never feasts so high as when the first course is misery.

Have mastery over the thoughts, oh striver for perfection.

First teach yourself that which you would have others learn.

An easy conquest and a high reward do not belong together. We must choose hard tasks to win glorious prizes.

THE SHAKERS.

A People With Singular Customs.

Rev. H. F. Shupe.

Not infrequently names given in derision to religious movements have become their best-known names. "Methodist" is such a name, and "Shaker" is another. The latter term is applied by the world to "The United Society of Believers," and has its origin in the physical manifestations which accompanied the experiences of these people in the beginnings of their history. There are, I believe, about fifteen Shaker communities in the country, with a total membership of several thousand.

Lying in a rich valley in south-

SHAKER SISTERS SHELLING CORN.

SHAKER DWELLING.

western Ohio is one of these Shaker communities, small in numbers, but tpyical of others. On a beautiful October day a visit was made to the White Water settlement. The broad acres, the large white barn, the substantial, though plain buildings, made a pretty picture in the October sunshine.

We came first to the little brick schoolhouse, where a young woman was awaiting the coming of her fifteen pupils, after their noon intermission. "District School No. 11. 1853" was the inscription on the front of the building, and the equipment of the school seemed to belong to a period but little more recent than the date given.

"Why are there pupils to be taught in the schools?" is a natural inquiry when it is understood that Shakers do not marry. In these Shaker homes the sexes are kept separate. Although living in the same house, they occupy separate apartments, and take their meals each sex by itself, except small parties at usual meal times. But it must also be understood that families with their children are welcomed into the Shaker fold, when such families desire to adopt that faith. Children are also received from orphanages and from guardians who desire to place them in the care of these people. The youth are given a common-school education and trained in manual labor.

The superintendent of the home received us kindly and extended many courtesies. The rooms in the home are furnished comfortably and heated by steam. A wide hall, almost bare of furniture, separates the apartments.

The dining-room is large, for the family numbers sixty. Here the members of the family gather for their meals, which are eaten in silence, all kneeling in prayer before the meal, and again in thanks after the meal.

A plainly furnished meeting-hall is also provided in the building. Here services are held when they do not go to the public meeting-place. Worship meetings are attended by both sexes and all ages. The worship consists in songs, exhortations, prayers, and bodily exercise in marches, and orderly dances in circles and ranks. This latter custom has given rise to the statement that dancing is a part of the worship of the Shakers. The dance is something like a march, the brethren together and the sisters together, keeping step to the time of the hymns they are singing.

Once or twice a week "union meetings" are held, at which both sexes in small groups converse on ordinary topics and enjoy a social time together. This custom refutes the notion that opposite sexes among the Shakers never converse together. There is a by-law like this: "One brother and one sister are not allowed to work together, walk out or ride together alone nor hold lengthy conversations together alone," but they are permitted to commune together in groups at meetings provided for the purpose. Virgin purity is the rule of life among these people.

The milk cellar, with modern facilities for handling the product of a large drove of fine cows, the track fo conveying the milk cans from the barn to the cellar, the large barn with entrance at the end, the steam laundry, and other evidences of thrift and industry, were looked upon with interest.

The property of the society is managed by agents, who transact all business for the family, and all enjoy the results of their labors in common. All must work, though none need to work excessively hard. Having all things in common, the use of money is not necessary. Real estate is held by trustees, this community having 1,300 acres of fine land. There is no division of earnings other than ample provisions for food, clothing and other comforts of life. Modern machinery and the division of labor make the work light. It is probably as nearly successful as any form of pure socialism can be, and is infinitely safer than the socialism which ignores God.

The brothers were at work in the fields. I asked the superintendent to have several of the sisters, in their quaint Shaker bonnets, to appear in a picture of the home I was taking. "No," he replied; "that would take them from their work; duty before pleasure." Permission was readily granted to take a picture of a group at work in the corn-room. In a large room a number of women and girls were at work shelling popcorn for the

SHAKER BARN.

A CORNER IN THE SHAKER BURYING GROUND.

market. A sheller, run by steam power, was being operated by several young women, and near by was a group shelling from the cobs the grains remaining on them after passing through the machine. Peaceful and contented appeared the faces framed in the quaint bonnets, as they worked. In one part of the room were large kilns for drying the corn, preparatory to shipping it to Cincinnati, where it is made into pop-corn balls, crisps, etc. These people were drying four tons of pop-corn for this purpose.

Of the theology and religion of these followers of Ann Lee it is hardly necessary to write. When it is said that Shakerism is unnatural and unscriptural it is not said that these people are not good people. The virtues they inculcate are highly commendable, and their communities peaceful, prosperous, and contented, for when a member becomes dissatisfied he can leave at will. After an existence in this country of a century and a quarter, they have influenced society but little.

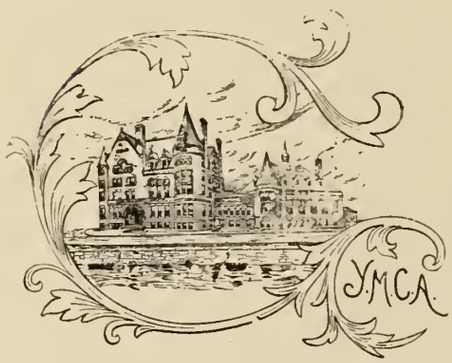
THE HARTFORD SUNDAY-SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT'S UNION.

A meeting of the above Union was held Monday evening, Jan. 20th, in the parish building of Trinity church. Supper was served at 6:30, at which forty-seven persons were seated. An opportunity was then offered to inspect the building and the executive methods of the school. At 7:30 the meeting was called to order, report of the secretary read and other business attended to, including election of officers.

Rev. Prof. Clark S. Beardslee, D. D., of the Hartford Theological Seminary, then addressed the meeting, which then had some 80 persons present, on "Teachers Training." The speaker was greatly impressed by the number present, as he felt that he was addressing those who had a deep interest in the work of the Sunday-schools and who had come together for work rather than for an evening of pleasure. Twelve new members joined the Union that night. Officers were elected as follows: Pres., Rev. E. F. Talmadge, Center Church; vice-pres., Mr. E. C. Barnes, Wethersfield Ave. Cong.; treas., Mr. H. H. Dickinson, Memorial Baptist; sec'y., Frederic B. Wright, Trinity Church.

The Union has a membership of 43 at present, which is less than half what it should be. According to the City Directory there are over 150 active workers who are eligible for membership, including superintendents, assistant superintendents and ex-superintendents of Hartford and vicinity. The next meeting is planned for Mar. 10th, at the Wethersfield Ave. Congregational Church, when it is hoped that a prominent speaker from Philadelphia can be with us.

A general invitation is hereby extended to those eligible for membership to join the Union which has a large field of work ahead, but which needs hearty support to be carried out. Membership fee, $1.00 annually.



Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

One of the interesting developments of the Young Men's Christian Association work during the month of January was the organization of a club among the boys of the Boys' Department for a special study of the bible. This club is known as the Berean club, the membership being limited to 100 boys between the ages of 11 and 16 years. In a very short time the 100 boys were registered and as there were many others who wanted to join they were organized into a waiting list class and one by one they will be promoted into the regular class as vacancies occur. Those one hundred boys are divided into six classes each with a separate teacher. Three of the teachers are employees of the Association, including Albert L. Goldsmith, Assistant Secretary of the Boys' Department, George W. Gregg, Education Director, and S. Wales Dixon, Physical Director. The other three are Messrs. Leavitt, Latham, Groeper, students in the Theological Seminary Mr. C. E. Pomeroy, Secretary of the Boys' Department, superintends the work of the club. The boys meet in Fraternity Hall, at 3 p. m., every Sunday, and after five minutes devotional exercises they go at once to the study room for thirty minutes. After the study these boys put on badges and go down stairs to Jewell Hall where they act as ushers and assist in the exercises of the Boys' Gospel Service held at 4 p. m. These gospel services during the month of January were attended by an average of 350 boys. The meetings were under the direction and management of John M. Dick, familiarly known as the Boys' Evangelist. Mr. Dick has had years of experience in work for boys and has a marvelous ability to interest an audience of boys. Many boys during these meetings have expressed a desire to begin the Christian life and it is believed that many of them have already done so.

In the Senior Dpeartments of the Association there is much activity and the season's programs will end with the close of the fiscal year, April 30th.

The Finance Committee and the Board of Management are making every possible effort to secure the necessary money to square all accounts by that date.

The theater meetings for men only held Sunday afternoons in the Hartford Opera House during January had an average attendance of 700 men. These meetings have been addressed by the strongest men available in New England and are being fruitful in good results. Every Sunday there are men who request prayer either by lifting the hand or standing on their feet. As far as possible these men are personally dealt with at the close of the meeting by workers.

The Star Course of entertainments held in Unity Hall have been very greatly enjoyed and have averaged 500 in attdenance. There are three more entertainments in the course: February 14th, Alton Packard, Cartoonist; Wednesday, March 15th, a lecture by T. F. Clark on "Wanderings in Peru," Friday, March 21st, The Elvie Burnett Concert Co.

Daddy," asked little Ephraim, "whar did de fust tukkey come from?" "Nebber yo' mine askin' irreligious questions" said the old man; "an' w'en Pahson Thompson come for diner Sunday doan' yo' hab ter ask whar dat tukkey come from eider."

"Do you go away this summer?"

"No; we've taken a smaller house, and we think we can be just as uncomfortable at home as we can in a fashionable hotel anywhere." — Chicago Record-Herald.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

On Wednesday evening, Feb. 5th, Rev. F. W. Merrill, missionary to the Oneida Indians, spoke at the Colt Memorial Hall about the Indians under his charge. It proved to be a very interesting talk.

They have a church and a school for Indian boys and girls at Oneida, Wis. The talk was interspersed with stereopticon views.

At a parish meeting held Friday, Feb. 7th, it was voted to extend a call to the Rev. George Thomas Linsley of Newtown. He was a classmate of Rev. Mr. Bristol's at the New Haven high school and was with him at the Yale University and Divinity School. It is hoped that he may be induced to accept the call as he is recognized throughout the state as an able preacher and a worthy successor to our late beloved rector.

The societies are meeting regularly and with good interest shown at the meetings.

The Men's League will have a meeting Feb. 20th, with Mr. Alfred T. Richards as the speaker. His subject will be "Wild Wales, and Welsh Preachers." He will be assisted by Miss Richards who will sing one or two solos and by a chorus from the church.

It is with regret that we learn of Mrs. C. G. Bristol's intention to leave the city to go to Plainfield, N. J., the home of Mrs. Lowrie, her mother. The best wishes of the parish go with Mrs. Bristol and her two children to their new home.

UNITY CHURCH.

On January 26th, Mr. Waite began a series of discourses upon the "Dominant Doctrines of Religion as Affected by Modern Science," as a sequel to his course last year on "The Unending Genesis." The first was on the "Origin of the Idea of God;" the second, on Feb. 2nd, on the "Development of the Idea of God" and the third on Feb. 9th, The Religio-Philosophical Idea of God." These sermons have attracted large and appreciative audiences.

Miss Weyke of Rockville, who has had charge of the Kindergarten class since the church opened in September, resigned the position on January 26th. She is particularly adapted to the work, the class has prospered under her care and her going was much regretted. As a token of remembrance her class presented her with a handsome luncheon cloth of Mexican drawn work. Miss Lanphear, a competent and experienced kindergarten teacher has been engaged to take her place.

The January Social was held on the 16th. It was turned into an impromptu whist party which was so much enjoyed that the committee were urged to repeat it.

The regular Sunday-school social was held on the evening of Jan 31st. The entertainment was a phonograph exhibition by Mr. Arthur DesChamps, which the children greatly enjoyed.

GLENWOOD CONGREGATIONAL.

The Ladies Aid Society are planning to send a barrel to the Mountain Whites.

Miss Dorothy spoke at the Missionary Society meeting Feb. 7th. Her address was very helpful.

A prayer circle has been formed and holds neighborhood prayer meetings regularly.

Sunday, Feb. 2nd, our regular praise service was held at 5 o'clock. Notwithstanding the inclement weather a large number were present.

Arrangements have been made for several special meetings at which Rev. Mr. Potter and Rev. Mr. Kelsey are to speak.

On Feb. 5th a reception was given to the choir. Those who assisted were Mrs. Mary Perwo Sage and Mr. Herbert Maercklein. It was a pleasant affair.

The concert given under the auspices of the trustees was a very pleasing one and enjoyed by all. Owing to so many other entertainments on the same evening there was a small audience.

The "Mark Down Supper" given by the Y. P. S. C. E. was truly such, as there was not a crumb left. Watch for some other novel feature to be introduced by the Y. P. S. C. E. and we know you will come.

The trustees are planning for another entertainment and we urge all to attend who can, if they desire a first-class concert.

On Sunday evening, Feb. 16th, our organist, Mr. Dunlap, is to deliver the sermon.

On Feb. 22nd, Christian Endeavor Day, a joint meeting was held of the Junior and Senior C. E. Societies.

On Wednesday, Feb. 12th, the Junior C. E. Society gave a concert and social, the children enjoying themselves very much. This concert was given to assist the senior society to pay the $50 pledged toward cancelling the mortgage debt. Ten dollars have already been paid, two of which were from the junior society.

Mr. Wilder vice-president of the Central Section takes this means of asking the societies in this section not to hesitate in asking him to attend any special meetings to be given if they feel so disposed. Address 20 Imlay street.

SOUTH BAPTIST.

The "Tag Social" given by the C. E. Society on the evening of Jan. 21st was well attended in spite of unpleasant weather. A large number of strangers were present. During the evening there were songs and recitations. Refreshments were served to about one hundred and twenty-five.

The South Baptist Men's League meets monthly Tuesday evening after the third Sunday. Its object is to "cultivate the spirit of Christian brotherhood among its members." There are to be eight committees, viz: Executive, Membership, Social, Strangers, Personal Work, Missionary, New Methods of Church Work and Visiting the Sick. Any man above sixteen years of age can become a member.

The "Ever Ready" Circle of King's Daughters held a social in the church parlors, Friday evening, Feb. 7th. Music and recitations were the order of the evening followed by refreshments.

The 21st Anniversary of C. E. was celebrated on Sunday evening, Feb. 2nd. A special program was prepared and the meeting led by our president. Geo. D. Jamieson.

The Hartford Baptist Ministers' Association met in this church Monday Feb. 3rd. The "Whatsoever Cirle" of King's Daughters served a turkey dinner at one o'clock, which was done justice to by those present. Two tables were spread, Rev. Mr. Dixon presiding at one and the Rev. Mr. Fletcher of the Second Baptist Church Suffield, at the other. About twenty ministers were present.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

The Epiphany meeting of the Hartford Archdeaconry was held at St. John's on Tuesday, Jan. 21st, at 11 a. m. There was a celebration of the Holy Communion, at which Archdeacon Biddle of South Manchester officiated, assisted by our rector, Mr. Bradin and the Rev. G. T. Linsley The service took the form of a memorial tribute to the late beloved rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, the Rev. Cornelius G. Bristol, the

sermon being preached by the Rev. Mr. Linsley.

On Jan. 12th, the Rev. John Wight Chapman of Alaska preached in our church. The following Sunday we listened to an earnest appeal for our home missions from the Rev. Octavius Parker of the diocese of Sacramento.

A course of lectures will be given in our church during Lent, under the auspices of the Seabury Club. They will occur on consecutive Tuesday evenings, beginning at 8 o'clock. The speakers will be:

Feb. 18—The Rev. Samuel Hart D. D., Berkeley Divinity School.

Feb. 25—The Rev. F. M. Burgess, New Haven.

Mar. 4—The Rev. W. W. Frisby, D. D., Church of the Advent, Boston.

Mar. 11—The Rev. G. McClellan Fiske, S. T. D., St. Stephen's Church, Providence.

Mar. 18—The Rev. H. I. Bodley, New Britain.

Mar. 25—The Rev. J. O. S. Huntington, Order of the Holy Cross.

All members of the parish, as well as the public generally, are invited to attend these lectures.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

The Confirmation Class meets every Sunday evening at 7 o'clock in the parish house. The Girls Friendly Society holds its meetings in the same place every Tuesday at 7 p. m.

The St. James Guild meets Wednesdays at 4 p. m.

The Knights of Temperance have a drill in the parish room at 7:30 p. m., on Wednesdays.

Thursday, the Missionary Society meets at 3 p. m. and the Men's Club at 7 p. m , in the parish house.

Friday, St. James' Guild meets at 4 p. m.

Saturday, St. Mary's Guild meets at 2 p. m. in the parish house.

ASYLUM HILL CONGREGATIONAL

The pastor of this church and the Rev. Dr. E. P. Parker exchanged pulpits on Sunday, Feb. 2nd.

The Mens Class is proving very popular, being largely attended. Among regular attendants are some of the leading business men of the congregation. The meetings are quite informal, the regular talk of the day being succeeded by a familiar discussion. The speakers are all men of the congregation and thus a large amount of talent, hitherto lying dormant, is now being utilized to splendid advantage.

Professor Stearns, in his talk before the Men's Class on ' What Shall I Read" emphasized the fact that we should restrain ourselves in newspaper reading; to read only so long as we are getting from the paper what we really need, then to take up some magazine or book that will do us more good. The suggestion was certainly a good one, for how greatly might we profit by keeping at hand a good book to read, not only in any spare moment, but when we have gotten to a point in the perusal of the paper where we don't care particularly to continue with it, but when we are tempted to do so simply because we have time and the paper is in our hand.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, EAST HARTFORD.

The Christian Endeavor Day services, Feb. 2nd, were interfered with by the weather, but those who braved the storm were amply repaid by the fine address by Mr. Godard, of New Britain, and the excellent singing of Mr. Gilbert Lovell, of the Hartford Seminary

The ladies of the Mission Circle, gave a very pretty Gypsy Carnival under the direction of Mrs. W. B. Penfield, which netted a considerable sum for their treasury.

The Current Events and Literary Club had an address by Hon. J. L. Barbour, to conclude a series of studies on Russia.

Miss Edith H. Miner, soprano soloist of the choir, was married Jan. 30th, to Mr. Earl Linton of Burnside.

The sad death of Mr. H. W. Vinton, Jan. 30th, was a severe blow to his numerous friends in the church and community.

BLOOMFIELD METHODIST.

The special meetings held during January were quite well attended and considerable interest was manifested. Rev. Dr. Blake gave an address at one of the services. Rev. J. P. Wagner and Mr. Weildon of Simsbury, also assisted in one meeting.

Several of the young members of the Sunday-school have accepted Christ. Our pastor, Mr. Scarborough, has worked hard during the series.

The entertainment given by the Epworth League, on Jan. 24th, was a decided success and as a result of enthusiastic work on the part of the president, Mrs. Dean, and others, the audience was large and appreciative. Over $30 was netted. The program consisted of readings, music, tableaux, pantomimes, etc. After the entertainment a social time was enjoyed in the lecture room where hot chocolate was served free. Mrs. B. F. Meredith, wife of a former pastor, was present and sang.

The necessary money is practically all raised to complete the payment of the debt incurred from the extensive repairs on the church over a year ago and by Mar. 1st the entire debt will be wiped out.

The Mission Study class of the Epworth League has been quite helpful in developing more interest in missions especially among the young people. The class meets every Sunday night before the prayer service and the pastor's instruction is much enjoyed. The League has purchased a missionary library of sixteen volumes.

Our pastor exchanged pulpits Sunday, Feb. 9th, with Rev. J. P. Wagner of Simsbury.

Rev. Wm. Martin Brown gave a most interesting talk before the Epworth League, Sunday evening, Feb. 9th, his topic being "The Value of Reading."

WETHERSFIELD BAPTIST.

Our pastor, Rev. Mr. Elsder, is away for two or three weeks doing evangelical work. The pulpit is now supplied by Rev. Mr. Tuller.

The young people of the church with the assistance of talent from Hartford, gave a very enjoyable concert on the evening of Jan. 24th.

Our Sunday-school has elected the same officers which served last year, Also the same church officers as last year have been elected.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL.

Monday, Feb. 10th, at 8 p. m., an entertainment was given by the Young Womens Home Missionary Club, at Unity Hall.

On Thursday evening, Feb. 13th, at 7:45, will be held the annual meeting and social reunion of the Prudential Committee. All the members of the church are cordially invited.

On Friday, Feb. 14th, at 3 p. m., there will be a meeting of the Young People's Home Missionary Club. A paper will be read by Mrs. Frank Smith on Mr. Rowley's work under the Sunday-school and Publishing Society.

Saturday, Feb. 15th, at 3 p. m., the Mission Circle will meet. Topic: "Visit to a Mission Station."

Sunday evening, Feb. 9th, there was a missionary concert at Warburton Chapel. Miss Alice Brown spoke on Hartford and the Armenian Orphans.

Work on the Year Book for 1902, is under way. Those knowing of errors in the last book, or of any new names

or changes of residences are requested to report them to Mr. Talmadge.

The officers for the Young People's Society have been elected for the ensuing year. Pres., Mr. George Blake; treas., Mr. Edward C. Perkins; sec., Mr. Hawks.

WINDSOR AVE. CONGREGATIONAL.

Our pastor, Rev. H. E. Peabody, is rapidly recovering from his attack of pneumonia. He was able to send greetings to his congregation Sunday morning.

Professor Paton, of the Theological Seminary, is occupying the pulpit during the pastor's illness.

The last meeting of the Christian Endeavor Society was observed as Christian Endeavor Day. Appropriate exercises were held and several brief talks were given.

The Sunday-school teachers tea, held in January, was a very enjoyable affair. After tea an address was given by Professor Paton on the Old Testament.

The Mission Study Class, held every Sunday evening, at 6:30, is fairly well attended.

The missionary meeting of the C. E. Society, held Jan. 6th, was directed to learning about the various missionary works which our society and church are interested in. The meeting was opened by a praise service in which the society practiced some of the unfamiliar hymns in our hymnal.

Services are being held at the alms house once more, a number of our young people going up to assist in the singing.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

The church held its annual business meeting Friday evening, Feb. 7th. There were no important changes, as the church is regarded as being wisely officered at present. Finances are considered to be in fair shape, under existing circumstances.

Our spiritual condition as reported at the last conference for that purpose, is "good."

The clerk of the church, Mr. W. J. Pierce, having been requested to draft suitable resolutions on the death of our esteemed deacon, Lucien Tiffany, very fittingly performed his task, and tendered them to the church at a recent date for their approval and acceptance.

Sunday, Feb. 9th, we listened to a very profitable sermon in the morning from Rev. J. W. Davis, of East Norwalk, president of our state conference, and in the evening to another from Rev. G. L. Teeple, of Wyben, Mass., father of our pastor.

PARK CONGREGATIONAL.

On Thursday, Feb. 13th, at the midweek meeting, a paper will be read by the Rev. F. P. Bacheler, of Hockanum, describing some of his experiences in "A Southern Parish."

On Jan. 30th, the day of prayer for colleges was observed by a study of the aspect of religious life in the colleges to-day, as revealed by letters and spoken words from our church representatives in the foremost colleges. The conclusion was reached that the religious work is a prominent part of the college life.

The pastor has organized a class of young people for the study of the fundamental principles of Christianity. All who would like to know more about the laws which govern Christianity, will be welcomed at these meetings. The girls meet at 4:30 and the boys at 5:15, on Fridays. Full opportunities will be given for any member of the class to ask questions on the topics that trouble him.

The attendance at the annual church supper was larger than it has been for years and every one enjoyed a very social evening.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, WEST HARTFORD.

The annual church meeting was held on Thursday, Jan. 2nd. Reports of the work for the past year were read, after which, the usual elections took place. Mr. W H. Hall, reporting on the work at the North End Sunday-school, showed the difficulty in carrying on the work as heretofore and advised that means of conveyance be provided to bring all those who wished to attend any of the churches or Sunday-schools at the center. A committee was appointed to consider the matter and it was voted at a meeting held on Jan. 16th, that an omnibus be provided for this purpose, the expense of which should be borne by voluntary contributions.

The week beginning Jan. 5th, was observed as the week of prayer. Exceedingly interesting and helpful meetings were held, there being four evening and two afternoon services conducted by the pastor, Rev. H. E. Hart, Rev. C. M. Geer and Rev. H. R. Traver, of the Baptist church.

The January meeting of the Men's Union was held on the 17th, the general topic being "Reminiscences of Travel and Adventure." Mr. C. S. Munger gave an account of some incidents in his career as Captain of a sailing vessel in the Gulf of Mexico, just at the outbreak of the Civil War, and Mr. Paul Thomson told of a recent visit to his native Scotland.

The second meeting of the Mission Study Class was held on Sunday evening, Jan. 19th. Prof. Geer gave a very interesting address, telling of the conditions of the world at the coming of Christ.

A Christian Endeavor social was held Friday evening, Jan. 24th. The entertainment was a "Fagot Party."

Our C. E. Society has given ten dollars to the North Street Settlement, the same amount to A. M. A. work, through Miss Clara Mallory, at Straight University, and ten dollars to the A. M. A. work at Williamsburg, Ky., through Miss Daisy T. Day.

Our church was permitted to receive seven persons into its membership at the January communion.

The Foreign Missionary Department held an interesting meeting in the chapel, Thursday evening, Jan. 30th.

NEWINGTON CONGREGATIONAL.

The Christian Endeavor Society had a candy pull at their last social.

The annual church day was held Jan. 2nd. Reports were heard in the afternoon and supper at six, followed by a prayer meeting and a short address.

On Sunday, Feb. 9th, Rev. Mr. Macy gave a very interesting sermon reviewing his ten years as pastor in this church. In the evening he talked on the C. E. Society and its relations with him for the past ten years.

The Ladies' Aid Society has reorganized with Mrs. Jed. Deming, pres.; Miss Fanny Welles, vice-pres., and Miss Alfred Fish, sec., and treas. New members have been obtained and much good work is anticipated from them.

FOURTH CONGREGATIONAL.

The meetings of the Y. P. S. C. E. have been changed so that now they are held Monday instead of on Sunday evening, as has hitherto been customary. A marked degree of increased interest and increased attendance has resulted.

The meetings of the Yoke Fellows have been more largely attended and some conversions have followed the deepening interest manifested by all. As a result of personal work there is expected a large addition to the church at the next communion, the first Sunday in March.

All lines of work are moving steadily forward. This is especially true of the Junior and Primary departments of the Sunday-school.

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THE NEW PATRIOTISM.

The proper definition of patriotism is love of country and devotion to its welfare. It is not devotion to a political party—that is partisanship. It is not necessarily heroism for a man may serve his country very well and still have little of the heroic in his character.

Senator Hale may denounce our policy in the Philippines and by every means at his command seek to thwart it. A gallant soldier of our army may be shot down in those same islands, giving his life for his country—yet the senator may be every whit as good a patriot as the soldier. If each, according to his convictions, were seeking the best welfare of his country, there could be no question of the patriotism of either

We commonly think of the patriots of the nation as men of war, and indeed in the past we have had no cause to blush for the lack of such, but in times of comparative peace the welfare of the nation is also often endangered and then, too, is patriotism sorely needed. Then true men everywhere are called not to "rally 'round the flag," perhaps, but to rally around the ballot boxes.

Civic patriotism is the need of the times and a constant one. Our personal selfish interests, on the one hand, keep us out of politics, while the selfish interest of the professional politician, keeps him very much in it. And the result is a much poorer government than we are entitled to, especially in our larger cities.

Yet even if our selfishness were intelligently directed we would take an active and constant interest int politics, municipal as well as national. Our pocket books are touched more than we realize, perhaps, when our municipal business is extravagantly or corruptly administered. Our cities might be healthier, cleaner, more beautiful, more moral, if we would have them so.

And the sin and the saving is in our hands when we hold the ballot. And if the spirit of true patriotism is in our makeup we will intelligently and persistently use our ballots for the community's and the nation's welfare.

FOR PEACE.

The following is a translation of the petition which the Protestant Churches of France have sent to the Protestant Churches and Government of Great Britain:

"The undersigned associate themselves with all hearts—Christian and Protestant—in expressing their grief because of the war in South Africa, which for two years has brought in conflict the English and the Boers, multiplying victims and accumulating ruins.

Without taking one side or the other, but impressed by the evils of the war and of the scandal which the prolongation of this conflict causes to Christian consciences, we, the undersigned, respectfully entreat the government of Great Britain to consent to overtures of peace, still hoping that the court of arbitration can be brought into service to bring an equitable accord between an heroic people, few in number, and a grand nation which, in the midst of the world, has so often raised its voice in favor of Liberty and Justice."

Would it not be well for American churches to unite in a similar petition ?

SUNDAY ADVERTISING.

In these days, when the failure to observe the Lord's Day is noticeable even among those who profess to be His followers, it is refreshing to find the advertising manager of a large business manufactory expressing himself in the following language, when asked about the use of the Sunday papers for the spreading of his goods:

"I oppose them on common sense as well as moral grounds. I don't believe in anything which creates work on Sundays, holding that no man can give the best that is in him who does not get entirely away from himself one full day in seven. I have never advertised in a Sunday paper, on both accounts, and never shall. One day I was approached by a solicitor for one of the so-called 'yellow' Sunday sheets. He wished to have me perfume the entire edition, Colgate & Co. to receive the credit. I told him that we had not enough perfumery in all our vats to make the odor of their sheet acceptable. He wished to demonstrate how few gallons would be required for his purpose. But I finally, to his indignation, got him to understand my view of the matter."

The spread of intemperance among women is one of the saddest evils which we have with us. It is not an uncommon sight to see a woman nowadays, reel through our streets under the influence of liquor. Usually they are clad in poor raiment, and are representatives of our worst elements, but often they come from higher spheres in society.

The sin of intemperance may be no worse in a woman than a man. Yet our ideals of womanhood are so much higher than of manhood, that it shocks our moral sense the more to see woman degraded by drink.

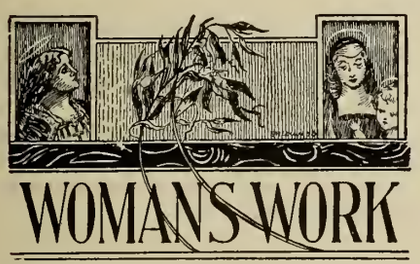
The introduction in Congress, by Representative Kern, of Illinois, of a bill instructing the Secretary of War to re-establish the army canteen along its former lines indicates a retrogressive movement which should be kept close watch over by temperance workers everywhere. The bill has been referred to the proper committee, and no one knows when it will be reported, but its opponents should be ready and quick to act when the proper time comes.

One thing that the temperance campaigns have proved conclusively is the value of national organization, and, where legislation is needed for any reform, national membership backed by the influence of numbers and boundless enthusiasm, is the only factor that can successfully prevail against the lobbying of the moneyed corporations that seek to enforce legislation in favor of the harmful traffic that they carry on.

One of the most appropriate memorials to President McKinley has been conceived and is approaching completion in Lincoln, Nebraska. It will consist of a chime of bells which will be placed in a church belfry and which will each day chime the hymn, "Nearer my God to Thee."

Mr. John G. Wooley, the eminent prohibition worker, has just returned to this country after a trip around the world made with the object of investigating the regulation of the liquor traffic in foreign lands. Mr. Wooley states that the prohibition cause has made greater progress in the United States than in any country in the world.

The recent order that the reservation Indians must conform to civilization's rules by cutting their hair short, suggests many possibilities by which they could escape the provisions of the edict. They might become musicians, football players, poets or patent-medicine-men.



WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

Attendance upon the recent meetings by our president, has been at a sacrifice and through painful efforts, as she has been quite disabled by lameness. Our annual free will offering meeting has been postponed until April, when we hope to have with us to speak for us Miss Robbins, an army nurse from Manilla.

Our next meeting, of Feb. 18th, will be appropriately observed as a memorial to Miss Willard.

Some of our members have been interested in attendance upon the sessions of the Coustitutioual Convention. The State W. C. T. U. has presented a request that the word "male" be stricken from our constitution.

WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

A business women's lunch room has been opened in connection with our Young Women's Branch, at No. 52 Church street, and is supplying a long felt need by furnishing a quiet place where the young women may bring their own lunches and obtain hot drinks at a moderate price. The rest room is supplied with couch, easy chairs and magazines, and here there is opportunity for real refreshment of body and mind.

A cooking class to meet Friday evenings has held two sessions. A member's receptiou is being planud for Saturday evening, Feb. 15th.

The children in the Saturday Night Game Club of the Girls' Branch, were made happy one evening iu Jauuary by a graphophone entertainment furnished by Mr. Hatch. Mr. Perkins gave a very interesting and helpful talk on Constantinople to the Tuesday Night Fidelity Club. The girls in the cooking-class are enjoying very much their first lessons in housekeepiug. Several new members have joined the Girls' Branch since the first of the year.

WARBURTON CHAPEL.

The social given by the senior department to the teachers aud frieuds, Tuesday evening, Jan. 21st, was a success in every way. The pictures drawn on a black board by volunteer artists(?) caused much interest and the prize awarded by vote for the best picture was given to Charles Edward Prior, Jr. Shadow pictures were also presented showing many humorous scenes from every-day experiences. The two which pleased the audience most were the "school scene" and "going to the dentist." Piano music was given by Miss Ida Wilcox and Mr. Prior sang.

Ou Saturday, Feb. 1st, three of the primary classes met for a social with Miss Adeline Pye and Miss Olive Mahl.

The attendance at the club meetings for boys aud girls, is larger than ever aud the same is true of the enrollment in the sewing school and the atteudauce at the Sunday evening meetings.

A new feature in our work is presented by the presence of the Italian scholars who have joined the Sunday-school during the past eight months. We are very glad to welcome them as they have proved regular and attentive, adjusting themselves readily to our plan of worship without disturbing in any way the loyalty of the older scholars, who are, for the most part of German parentage.

Miss Alice Brown spoke at the February missionary concert about "Harpoot and the Armeuian Orphans." Lillian and Frederick Koch sang.

THE OPEN HEARTH.

The meetings each evening continue to be filled aud the interest manifested is on the increase. Numbers at each meetiug profess their desire to lead a better life and the results are most gratifying. The reading room is a great resort for those who desire to speud a social hour aud, while enjoying the light and warmth of the rooms, to store their minds with useful knowledge from the many magaziues and books furnished by kind friends of the mission. It is noticeable that those persons who have been at the Open Hearth in times past, never forget its benefits, and are present as often as possible at the meetings and are always ready to aid Supt. Miller in his work. The number of applicants for charity is not as great as in many years, thus showing that the course pursued by Supt. Miller iu eudeavoring to induce persons who apply to become self-supportiug and useful members of society, has borne fruit. The children's work has growu iu magnitude and scores of children attend the Thursday evening meetings which are always bright and suited to their capacity. The branch at No. 84 Babcock street, is in a flourishing condition and the services on Sunday afternoou and evening are attended by an audience which fills the rooms to their utmost capacity. All that is now ueeded at the Open Hearth are greater facilities for the work which is constantly increasing.

The Grand Uuiou Tea Co., formerly located in the Waverly Building, has recently removed to Nos. 74 and 76 Asylum street, a central and convenient location. The reputation of this company is well known for its finely flavored teas and coffees and its reasonable prices.

Messrs E. G. Lathrop & Co., are now the proprietors of the Shannon Drug Store, No. 143 Trumbull street, so long and so favorably known as a thoroughly reliable and always up-to-date pharmacy. The new management intends to fully maintain the good reputation of this store.

LADIES' COSTUMERS.

Messrs Alfred Williams & Son, the well known furriers at Nos. 99 and 101 Pratt street, have opened a new departmeut devoted to dress aud cloak making and especially to the designing aud making of evening costumes.

A competent modiste has beeu engaged to superintend this new department aud every facility has beeu placed at her disposal to guarantee the thorough success of the new undertaking.

Visitors will be welcomed any time now aud new styles in dresses, cloaks and costumes will be shown and explained by the modiste.

ADDITIONAL CHURCHES.

SOUTH PARK METHODIST.

The roll-call held on Thursday evening, Jan. 30th, brought together a large number of members of the church. Short addresses were made by Messrs. Spear, Cowlishaw and H.E. Parkhurst, representing the trustees, the stewards and the Sunday-school, respectively.

An entertainment for the benefit of the Sunday-school was given in the church on Wednesday evening, Jan. 29th, by the Rock Concert Company. It was very largely attended and greatly enjoyed.

At the monthly communion service, on Sunday, Feb. 2nd, five persons were received by letter and five were baptized.

The ladies of the Woman's Home Missionary Society will hold a membership social in the chapel on Monday evening, Feb. 10th. An interesting program has been prepared, to be followed by a social hour.

A union love feast and social service will be held at St. Paul's church, Thursday evening, Feb. 13th, all the Methodist churches of the city uniting.

TRINITY CHURCH.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society has been preparing upwards of a hundred garments for an Indian mission school in the West, and during Lent they will undertake to furnish a part of linen outfit for the new hospital under Archdeacon Spurr's jurisdiction in West Virginia.

Archdeacon Spurr recently preached in our church and told further of his work among the miners and prisoners in Monndsville.

Sunday, Feb. 9th, Rev. Francis Goodwin preached to a large congregation on "Sunday Observance."

The stereopticon talk for January was by Rev. Prof. Luther, who told of his recent trip to Italy, speaking particularly of Naples and Pompeii. The talk for February will be on the 11th, when slides will be thrown upon the wall illustrating the lessons of the past three months with descriptions by the rector, Rev. E. deF. Miel.

Fridays, during Lent, the children meet in the parish building at 3:30, to do missionary work; at 4:30, they practice Easter carols; at 5., join in the service in the church.

Lenten week-day services are at 5 o'clock, except on Wednesdays, when they will be at 7:30, with sermon by visiting clergymen of note.

The Superintendents' Union recently met in the parish building and listened to an interesting address by Rev. Prof. Beardslee, of the Theological Seminary. Supper was served at 6:30.

A class in preparation for confirmation is meeting Monday evenings in the parish room. The bishop of the diocese has designated the evening of Easter Day for his visit to this parish for the administration of this Apostolic rite.

The Girls' Friendly Society, which meets Monday evenings, at 7 o'clock, is preparing a box for the Oneida Indians.

ASYLUM AVE. BAPTIST.

Instead of the usual Christian Endeavor meeting, Sunday, Feb. 9th, the ordinance of baptism was performed This was followed by a union meeting of the congregations of the Asylum Ave. Baptist, the Asylum Hill and the Farmington Ave. Congregational churches. The meeting was addressed by the Rev. Dr. Addison P. Foster, of Boston, secretary of the American Sunday-school Union for New England.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER.

A series of evening meetings to be held the third Sunday evening in each month, has been instituted under the auspices of the Young People's Guild. The first service was held in January and proved a very great success

The pastor, Dr. Adams, delivered an address on "The Incessant Task," which is one of the series of five addresses on "The Conduct of Life." The regular choir, assisted by Mrs. Grace Preston Naylor, rendered several selections. The meetings will be held during the next four months and the meeting for February, on Sunday, Feb. 15th, at 7:30. All are cordially invited to attend.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society will hold a supper in the vestry, Wednesday evening, Feb. 12th, at 6:30.

The Young People's Guild are arranging for the mid-year meeting and convention, which is to be held here the last of March.

SUFFIELD STREET BAPTIST.

A Boys' Club has been organized under the leadership of our Sunday-school superintendent, which is for all boys over eleven years of age who attend school. They meet at the chapel Monday evenings, and a pleasant time is enjoyed by them playing games, etc.

A very successful "Valentine Social" was held for the members of the school on the evening of Feb. 4th. An interesting program of music and reading was carried out by members, after which, the young people spent quite a time blowing soap-bubbles to get their valentines. Refreshments served to close the evening's fun.

Our attendance is still large each Sunday, and we feel that we should praise God for His goodness to us. Recently, two classes have been promoted from the primary room to the main school.

Our special meetings are now being held. We are hoping for good results, and trust that many will accept Christ as their Saviour at this time.

FIRST METHODIST.

On Wednesday, Jan. 22nd, the young men of the Epworth League gave an entertainment and social in the evening, which was very much enjoyed by all present.

Music was rendered by Miss Russell on the piano; a quartette consisting of Messrs. Knox, Wood, Knox and Parker, gave a selection which was quite pleasing. Miss Blake recited "There Were Five of Us" and also gave a reading.

Jan. 17th, the ladies of the Ladies' Aid Society gave a dinner and supper at the Y. M. C. A. building, which was quite a success.

Jan. 29th, the ladies gave a little entertainment in the lecture room. Music was rendered by Mrs. Young and a reading by Mrs. Keyes.

On Feb. 19th, an evening of music will be given by the league in the leetnre room. All are invited to be present.

FIRST BAPTIST.

The church roll-call was held Thursday evening, Jan. 30th. Our ladies served supper at six o'clock. The roll began to be called at eight o'clock. A large number of letters were received from those unable to be present.

A meeting of the Young Men's League was held on Wednesday, Feb. 5th. The speakers were the Rev. B. D. Hahn, of Springfield, and the Rev. Dr. Coleman Adams, pastor of the Universalist church. Mr. Hahn is pastor of the State Street Baptist church in Springfield, and is foremost also among those interested in the welfare of his city. Dr. Adams has written several books on out of door life and he spoke on "Nature for Her Own Sake." There was of course the usual music and singing.

Concerning Dr. Shepardson, who comes to us for special evangelical work on Feb. 23rd, the Rev. Clarence A. Barbour writes: "He is a sane and sensible man and a preacher of much power. The whole atmosphere which

surrounds him and his work, is such as to leave the best results."

The ladies of the Woman's Missionary Society have issued programs of their meetings for the ensuing five months.

The normal class, recently started in the Sunday-school under the instruction of our pastor, promises to fill a long felt want. The need of more teachers is constantly manifest.

During the week beginning Feb. 10th, cottage prayer meetings were held in different parts of the city at the homes of our members.

The Friendly Brothers' orchestra, which is composed of volunteers, has become one of the features of the Men's meetings. It consists of the following performers: Andrew D. Mitchell, cornet; L. D. Hubbard, flute; A. Waltersdorf, clarionet; J. Arthur Smith, violin; E. A. Brigham, flute; S. H. Brigham, piccolo, and I. C. Swazey, piano.

OLIVET BAPTIST.

On Sunday, Feb. 2nd, our church gave a special musical service. The organist was accompanied by Dr. W. E. Darling on the cornet and Mr. John Hansen on the violin. In spite of the very stormy night there were about eighty in the congregation.

On Friday evening, Feb. 7th, our C. E. Society gave a tableau, entitled "Washington's Vision." We cleared about $10.

The week of prayer was not observed this year by our church.

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH.

On Monday evening, Feb. 10th, the Young People's Club gave a very enjoyable literary and musical entertainment in the parish hall, which was well attended and proved very successful in every way. Much credit is due the committee having the matter in charge. The stage was very attractive with handsome rugs and hangings from Neal, Goff & Inglis Co., and all who took part in the entertainment acquitted themselves very creditably. The proceeds will go towards paying for a new furnace put in last summer.

Lenten services will be held on Wednesday afternoons, at 4:30, and Friday evenings, at 8., until Holy Week, when there will be services every day except Monday. There will also be an early celebration of the Holy Communion every Sunday, at 9:45, except the first Sunday in March, when it will be at regular morning service. Bishop Brewster will visit the church for confirmation on Tuesday evening, in Holy Week, March 25th.

FARMINGTON AVE. CONGREGATIOAL.

Since the last issue of this paper the angel of death has entered three of our homes and we mourn our loss.

George Garvie Forbes, who had so recently taken unto himself a life partner in the person of Louise Jewett Forbes, was stricken with pneumonia and after a short illneess departed this life. All branches of our church extend sympathy and love to the afflicted family.

Mrs Gilbert W. Chapin, another of our number, was called home shortly after the death of Mr. Forbes. While her death was not quite unexpected it was none the less sad. We have lost in her one of our valued members, but what Heaven has gained is beyond our thoughts or dreams.

Mr. E. W. Bull passed away the past week. While not a member of this church, his wife is one of our most valued members and we mourn with her. "It is the Lord, let Him do what seemeth to Him best."

The church supper on last Friday was a financial success. We hope for another.

Our Chinese pupils have their annual New Year's entertainment Monday evening, Feb. 10th.

The Y. P. S. C. E. will give a social in the near future.

BLOOMFIELD CONGREGATIONAL

The annual meeting of the Ecclesiastical Society was held Monday evening, Feb. 3rd. Reports by the clerk, treasurer, and treasurer of the Ladies' Benevolent Society were read. This latter because the women of the church have taken hold of church affairs this past year and raised about $500.

The officers of last year were re-elected, the trustees for the society being T. E. Griswold, N. F. Miller and A. C. Case.

The available proceeds from the Allyn and Prosser funds, $325., were distributed to the needy and worthy poor of the town, no denominational distinction being made. The Prosser fund has been at interest but six months. Another year the amount to be distributed will therfore be about $450., from this fund alone.

Exercises appropriate to the Fourteenth Anniversary of the Christian Endeavor Society will be held Friday evening, Feb. 21st. An address by Dr. Munger, of Hartford, together with a literary and musical program, will occupy the evening.

Miss Hattie P. Tobie, one of the most estimable young ladies of the church, was married Feb. 12th, to Ellsworth L. Knowles of Marcellus, N. Y.

Mrs. M. J. Bradley has been engaged for another year as organist.

Mrs. E. R. Wood is superintendent of the Home Department of the Sunday-school.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN.

A meeting of the congregation was held Thursday evening, Jan. 16th, for the purpose of electing three new Ruling Elders for the church. Mr. Thomas Flemming, Mr. James McGerchie and Mr. Robert Wright, were elected to the office.

The Young People's Association gave a supper and handkerchief sale Tuesday evening, Jan. 21st, which was largely attended and very successful. About $35. was realized to go toward the pledge which the society made for the church debt.

The members of the choir were entertained at the home of the pastor, Rev. W. W. Breckenridge, Friday evening, Feb. 7th.

The church rejoices in the announcement made last Sunday morning, to the effect that pledges have been secured to meet the old debt of the church. The movement to raise this debt was begun two years ago, and the final sum needed was secured last week. The activities of the church have been hampered in many ways by the burden and we shall be able to undertake many lines of work this coming year which were impossible before.

WINDSOR CONGREGATIONAL.

The young people of the church are to hold a rummage sale at the Town Hall, Feb. 18th, 19th and 20th, afternoon and evening, beginning at 1 o'clock each day. The proceeds will be given to the building fund of the new parish house.

Mr. F. N Taylor has been elected suerintendent of the Sunday-school to succeed Rev. F. V. Mills, who resides in Hartford during the winter.

The officers of the Endeavor Society for the present six months are as follows: Pres., Miss Elsie Taylor; vice pres., Robert Barber; rec. secy., Alfred Taylor; cor. secy., Miss Clara Bedortha; treas., Alvin Hubbard.

NEW BRITAIN AVE. MISSION.

The old board of officers was re-elected at the annual meeting on Jan. 20th, with one change, that of Mrs. Porter, who was placed on the Devotional Committee as an assistant.

Feb. 7th, the Ladies' Aid gave one of their famous suppers, followed by

an entertainment consisting of readings by Mrs. Ewbank, Jr., and Mrs. Kelly, and violin and piano music.

The following are those who have spoken to us this last month: Mr. Fisher of the Seminary, Rev. Mr. Lathrop, chaplain of state prison; Mr. Hands, of South Windsor; and Mr. Harold Pattison, of the First Baptist church.

A CARD TO INVENTORS AND PATENTEES.

In a recent publication we were charged by another patent attorney with "railroading" applications for patents through the United States Patent Office. Statistics show that railroad travel is not only the swiftest but the safest in the world. There are, however, people who prefer ox-cart and ass-cart locomotion.

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

HARTFORD UNION NOTES.

Since the last issue of the Church Review the Union has held its January meeting. Our place of meeting was the Park church, at 7:45 p. m., Jan. 21st, and owing to the storm which began early in the evening the attendance was small. Addresses were made along the line of Evangelistic Endeavor by Rev. H. H. Kelsey, Rev. E. H. Munger and our State President, Rev. Russell H. Hall. The collection taken was devoted to the use of the North Street Settlement and a letter received by the secretary, thanking us for our interest and help in the work, shows their appreciation of what little we have been privileged to do for them.

The State Union has entered into a new field of usefulness, having recently established a department of correspondence and selected as its superintendent, Miss Grace D. Thayer, sec. Hartford Union. This work is one of great possibilities, doing grand work in such states as Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania, and many of the Western states. If faithfully conducted it can be made a vast help to all. Miss Grace Thayer begins her duties at once and is at present awaiting replies to letters from various superintendents, relative to methods pursued in carrying out this work. As soon as possible a circular will be mailed all societies explaining this work and asking for hearty co-operation.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS.

(From the Presbyterian C. E. Manual)

Sun., Feb. 16. Topic—Tempted and tried. 1 Cor. 10:13; Heb. 2:17, 18; 4:15.

No temptation is ever greater than can be borne. It is never necessary therefore, for us to fall. We can overcome.

God is always present, watching, and he will never allow us to be defeated if we trust in Him.

God helps in two ways: by giving strength, or, if the battle is too hard, by making the way to escape.

Jesus met temptation that He might understand the experience in temptation.

Jesus in heaven sympathizes with us in all our struggles.

Sun., Feb. 23. Topic—Obedience. 1 Sam. 15:22, 23; 1 Kings 3:14; Rev. 22:14.

Christ measured the love of his disciples by their obedience. He tested some by requiring them to leave all and go with Him. His test of the cured demoniac was to leave him and go back to his own home.

Some young Christians make feeling the test of faith. Obedience is a far better thermometer to measure the warmth of zeal.

Disobedience is a sin of unbelief. When we disobey God, we say, practically, that we know better what it is wise to do than God does.

Obedience recognizes God as almighty, all-wise, all-loving. His love foresees all, and upholds through all. Faith is necessarily obedient.

We assume responsibility when we disobey. We take consequences upon our own shoulders. Are we strong enough to carry a load we will not trust to Gods' strength.

Sun., Mar. 2. Topic—The joy of service. Ps. 126:5, 6; Matt. 25:19-23.

Tears are seeds whose harvest is joy.

Doing good often costs in suffering or sacrifice.

The Saxon root of the word bless is blood—we can truly bless others only by giving of our own blood.

We need never be afraid of sacrifice or pain in doing good in Christ's name, for sowing in tears we shall reap in joy.

Selfish joys are short, always. There is no strength in them for life.

Joy in God is as everlasting as God himself, for the stream cannot run dry while the source remains flowing.

The joys that last are unselfish joys—joys of service and communion. They do not fly out of the heart like flitting birds; they stay and sing there.

Sun., Mar. 9. Topic—The Secret of Endurance. Heb. 11:24-27; Ex. 33:9-23.

In a certain Endeavor Society in the East, where there was a library with a shelf devoted to missionary books, the Missionary Committee noticed that particular shelf was unused. So they placarded it in big black letters, and draped it in crepe, and as the startled Endeavorers went by they read, "These books are in mourning because of your neglect of them!" It proved an awakener.

The Epworth League of Washington reports the contributions towards the cost of the beautiful Epworth League College of Literature, which is to be erected in connection with the American University, are coming in rapidly and in gratifying amount. Various and numerous entertainments are being held all over the country for the purpose of raising funds and the results are proving most satisfactory to those who get them up as well as to those who have the management of the college fund.

BUSINESS AND PLEASURE.

Small Brother.—"Are you going to marry sister Ruth?"

Caller.—"Why-er-I really don't know you know."

Small Brother—"That's what I thought. Well, you are."—Life.

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"A note from the German emperor!" annouunced the chamberlain.

"A Billy doux!" observed her majesty.

"A Yankee Doodle doux!" cried this remarkable woman, while gales of merriment swept over the servile court.—Detroit Journal.

Watches and clocks out of order and requiring the attention of an expert watchmaker, can be left at Edward J. Brown's, 214 Asylum street.

"Well, Maria," said the old man, as he got down from the wagon-seat, where he had been patiently waiting, "did you see all the animals."

"All but two," she said with a sigh. "I hunted the longest time, but I couldn't seem to find the carnivora and the egress. I expect they was the best part of the show, too."

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Professor of Music—What note have all the great composers and singers been most partial to?

Facetious Pupil—A bank note!

SLEEPING ALONE.

The London Lancet called attention not long ago to the habit of dual sleeping, saying that there is nothing that will so derange the nervous system of a person who is eliminative in nervous force as to lie all night in bed with another who is absorbent of nervous force.

No two persons, no matter who they are, ought habitually to sleep together. The one will thrive, the other lose. An aged person and a child should not be bedmates. Great as is the pleasure to grandma to have her "little comfort" with her at night, it is one which the wise as well as fond relative will forego for the child's sake.

A case recently came to the writer's knowledge of two sisters, fifteen and seventeen years old. The younger was a splendid specimen of young womanhood, robust, active and merry, while the elder, though not ill in any definite way, was thin, tired out quickly, and fretted over trifles like a nervous old woman.

An English relative, a physician, made the family a visit. His sharp eyes noted the morning lassitude of the elder girl, and the corresponding freshness of her sister at breakfast, and he drew his conclusions.

An inquiry of the mother secured the knowledge that they not only slept in the same bed, but, said she. "Elsie's (the elder) devotion to her is such that for years she has only gone to sleep when she could hold Mabel close in her arms."

The doctor fairly snorted at this sentiment, and in the end persuaded the sisters to sleep apart.

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What do you consider the best foundation," inquired the ambitious young man, "on which to build a successful business?"

"Rocks," promptly replied the multi-millionaire.—Philadelphia Press.

ADDITIONAL BOOK NOTICES.

Dear Days. By Armour Strong. 316 pages, 12 mo. Phila.: H. T. Coates & Co. Price $1.00.

This story of school-girl life in Washington is written for the pleasure of other girls and its whole tone is one of good-nature and the exuberance of health and activity.

There is much reference in the text to scenes and customs in the Capital City, so that young readers will unconsciously absorb much valuable information, while enjoying an interesting tale.

For the Blue and Gold. By Joy Lichtenstein. 232 pages, 12 mo. San Francisco: A. M. Robertson. Price $1.50.

When the late President was on his last tour of the West, a beautifully bound copy of this book, especially made, was presented to him.

It is a thrilling story of college life at the University of California, charged with the invigorating spirit of endeavor and good fellowship, manly independence and the development of character. Throughout the book are realistic scenes, where undergraduates at work and at play, develop the plot of the story. Several incidents, such as the foot-ball game, are described with an ability that has unsurpassed fascination and vividness.

Henrik Ibsen. A Critical Biography, by Henrik Jaeger. Translated from the Norwegian by Wm. Morton Payne. 320 pages, 12 mo. Chicago: A. C. McClurg & Co.

This is a book which will be gladly welcomed by that select few who can appreciate the gloomy productions of Ibsen. It will be of value also to the many who enjoy a well written critical biography. It is well to know about Ibsen. The moral problems he has propounded and attempted to solve have given him a place that time will undoubtedly render more distinct.

This biography is sy pathetic and interesting to a degree not often attained by such writings. Its study will be profitable to every one who follows contemporary iterary history.

The Man With the Rake. By Marion Beveridge Lee. 218 pages, 12 mo. New York: The Abbey Press. Price $1.25.

"The Man With the Rake" is a decidedly interesting story, marred somewhat by occasional forced effects in character delineation—though the characters are distinctive and real in spite of that fact.

The serving-man, "Job", is a curious study. His actions and words are full of unconscious, wholly natural, humor. A love story runs through the book, the sentiment of which is high and refined in tone. On the whole the story is written with unusual skill and is not dull in a single passage.

The Cape and Its Story, or The Struggle for South Africa. By the author of "In Lion-Land," 314 pages, 12 mo. New York: Thomas Nelson & Sons. Price $1.00.

The story of the growth of South Africa, told in an interesting way and worthy of praise for being concise as well as comprehensive.

The story of the Boers will naturally occupy a large part of such a record, but it is interesting to find that the author gives proper attention to the part taken by the Zulus and other savage tribes in the modern history of the "Cape."

It is altogether a more interesting narrative than many romances.

The Times and Young Men By Josiah Strong. 247 pages, 16 mo. New York: The Baker and Taylor Co. Price 75 cents.

A brief consideration of the problems that face conscientious youngmanhood in this epoch. The problems of social life, public and personal, and other phases of life are considered with reasonable argument and common-sense statement.

An excellent index greatly enhances the value of the book.

The following interesting facts concerning the spread of Mahometanism in the Philippines comes from our Washington correspondent:

"An officer of the army who was in Washington on leave recently and who is stationed in the Philippines, tells me that Mahometanism is making tremendous strides in these islands. Enim Nabokoff, a missionary of Islem and seven associates are following close behind the United States troops and as fast as peace is established they inaugurate their missions. They are spending money freely, the amount already expended being estimated at $40,000 per month and the International Moslem Union has authorized the expenditure of $1,000,000 a year. Nabokoff is an American citizen, although of Russian nativity, and for some years he conducted a Moslem mission in New York City. He was at one time bishop of the Greek church. He explained to the officer above mentioned that the release of the Philippinos from the control of the friars and the perplexity of the simple natives when exhorted to join a variety of Christian churches made the field a particularly rich one for him and his fellow workers. They abstain from saying anything about polygamy which would prove obnoxious to the Christian Philippinos."

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Archdeacon Brady, when a home missionary in the West, participated in one of the great rushes of settlers in Oklahoma. He writes a story turning on that incident in the February Scribner's. Christy illustrates it.

The World's Work for February publishes entire, for the first time in America, Rudyard Kipling's "The Islanders," which has raised a veritable furore of discussion in England. Frank Norris, the author of "The Octopus" in an article entitled "The Frontier Gone at Last," shows how the Anglo-Saxons have at last encircled the globe with conquest.

Chief of the numerous high lights of the February Century, the midwinter number, is a frontispiece wood cut by Cole in the Old Spanish Masters series, 'The Dughter of El Greco."

A novel feature of the "Year of American Humor" is a monologue by Beatrice Herford, "The Book-Agent." A new humorous contributor is John Charles McNeill, with four negro songs illustrated by Kemble. Other humorous tales are "The Don't Hurry Club" by Albert Bigelow Paine, 'A Government of the People," a story of Oklahoma, by J. W. Piercy.

Country Life in America for February is an enlarged number of this beautiful magazine of the world out-of-doors, representing the new expansion of American life to the country, "In Garb of White," the frontispiece, is a remarkable picture of a New England woods road in winter. Among the leading features are "Skibo Castle," the summer home of Andrew Carnegie in the Scottish Highlands.

The current number of The Ladies' Home Journal contains Ira D. Sankey's latest hymn, which is called 'A Song of Heaven and Homeland." The words of this hymn were written by the well-known poet, Eben E. Rexford, and they have been most beautifully set to music by Mr. Sankey for the magazine which now presents the hymn.

McClure's Magazine for February contains an attractive list of articles and stories. Ray S. Baker writes on "Marconi's Great Achievement" and also on "Robert E. Peary and his Campaigns for the Pole."

The February number of Success has a strikingly attractive table of contents; it might be called the Lincoln Number. The cover design by P. L. Hoyt, shows the great commoner resting at his rail-splitting to study and an article by Ex-Speaker Galusha A. Grow, a personal friend of Abraham Lincoln, tells in a graphic manner, of Lincoln's most trying week in the White House, when he was waiting for the Union troops to save, or the Confederate troops to destroy the capital.

"Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly" for February is advertised as "an old name, but a new magazine," and nothing could be more literally true.

From the first page to the last the magazine is thoroughly modern, and both in the character of its reading matter and of its illustrations, printed in colors and in black and white, it is thoroughly abreast of the times.

Washington: the Capital City. By Rufus Rockwell Wilson. Two vols., 408 and 423 pages. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott Co. Price $3.50.

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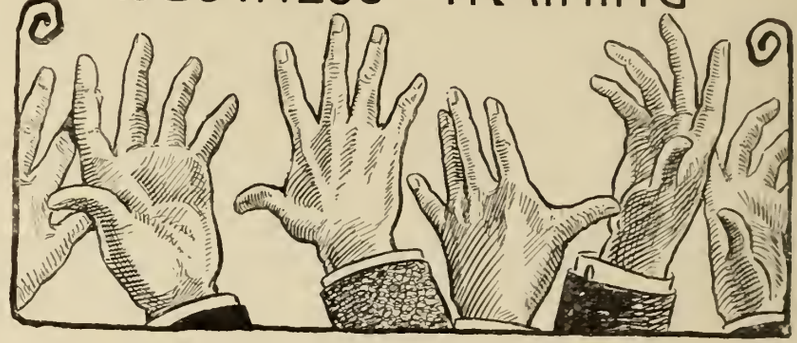

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ASSETS.

First mortgages on real estate	$7,722,586.01
Home office property	265,000.00
Other real estate owned by the Company	647,412.83
Stocks and bonds	4,066,243.60
Premium notes and loans on policies	900,624.41
Cash in Company's office	512.08
Cash in banks	410,755.03
Interest accrued and due	154,151.63
Net Deferred and outstanding premiums	241,969.62
Total	$14,409,255.21

LIABILITIES.

Reserve on policies in force, (issue of 1901, at 3%)	$13,547,257.00
Claims by death, papers complete	None.
Claims by death, papers incomplete, and notified claims	37,760.00
Instalment claim liability	33,882.00
Premiums paid in advance	10,733.00
Special policy reserve	154,895.00
Surplus or additional guarantee over and above all computed and contingent liabilities	624,728.21
Total	$14,409,255.21

	1899.	1900.	1901.
Premium Receipts	$ 2,180,795	$ 2,545,547	$ 2,651,583
Insurance in Force	57,988,162	63,802,139	65,872,834

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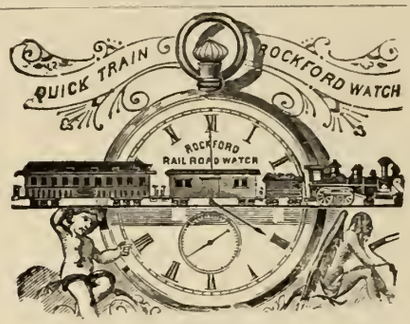

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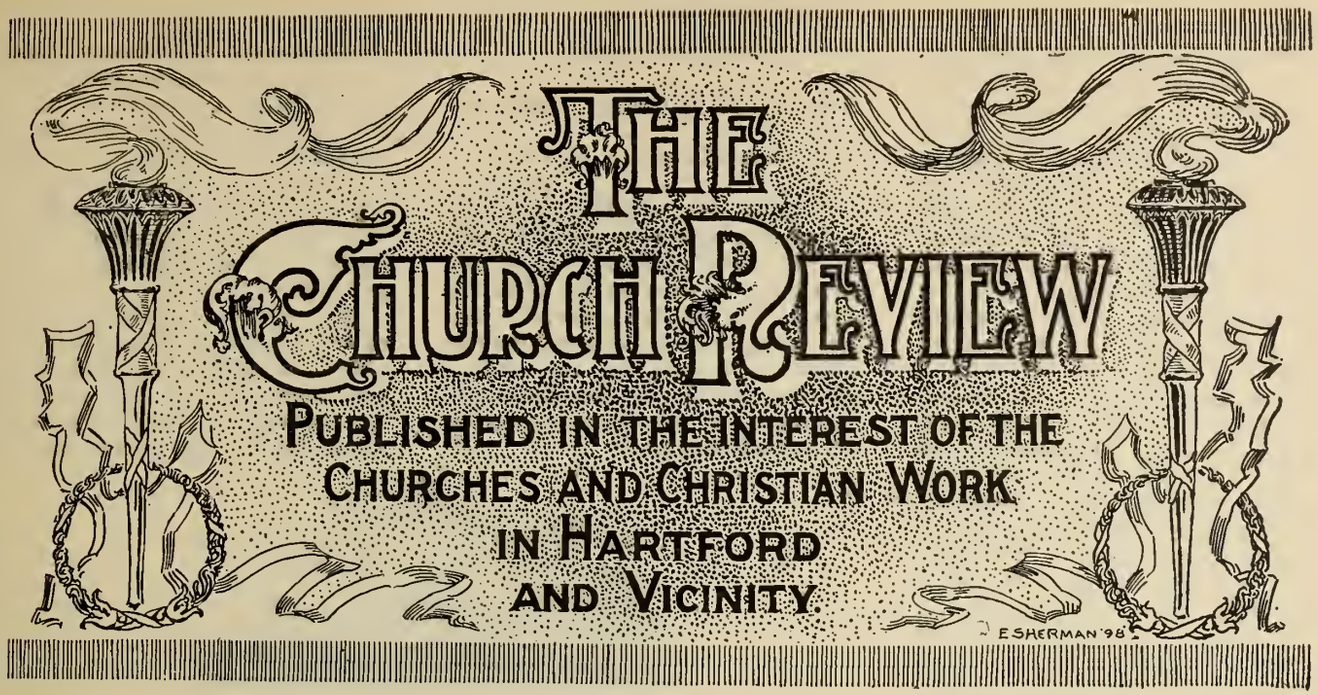

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Some valley in the west,
Where free from toil and pain,
The weary soul may rest?
The loud wind dwindled to a whisper low,
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"No."

Tell me, thou mighty deep,
Whose billows round me play,
Know'st thou some favored spot,
Some island far away,
Where weary man may find
The bliss for which he sighs,—
Where sorrow never lives,
And friendship never dies?
The loud waves, rolling in perpetual flow,
Stopped for a while, and sighed to answer,—"No."

And thou, serenest moon,
That, with such lovely face,
Dost look upon the earth,
Asleep in night's embrace;
Tell me, in all thy round
Hast thou not seen some spot
Where miserable man
May find a happier lot?
Behind a cloud the moon withdrew in woe,
And a voice, sweet but sad, responded,
—"No."

Tell me my secret soul,
O, tell me, Hope and Faith,
Is there no resting place
Fom sorrow, sin ,and death?
Is there no happy spot
Where mortals may be blest,
Where grief may find a balm,
And weariness a rest?
Faith, Hope, and Love, best boons to mortals given,
Waved their bright wings, and whispered,—"Yes, in heaven!"

—Charles Mackay.

LENT.

By Rev. James W. Bradin.

The seasons of the Church Year will be found to take their rise and position in her system from some great fact of our Lord's life or teaching.

The season of Lent in its present form of 40 days of continued service, did not begin immediately with the very first days of the history of Christianity. It is evidently a growth, such as would naturally be expected as the life of the Church developed to meet the needs of men.

The origin of Lent is found in the desire of the early disciples or Christians to commemorate our Lord's Passion and suffering. At first the early Christians kept the hours from the time of the Crucifixion to that of the Resurrection. The spirit of reverent devotion to enter in, so far as man could, into the mystery and fact of the Passion, was the determining motive. This would be a period of 40 hours. During this period the Christians abstained from all food and spent the time in prayer. By degrees this custom experienced a change, differing in time and place. From 40 hours, or the three days, it was lengthened in some places to three, in others to four, and others again to six.

Then came the extension of the period of humiliation to three weeks, and then to six.

The result of all this was the final fixing of it to six weeks, or for 40 days, for the Lent of 40 days can be traced to a date very close to the life time of the apostles. The term Lent means in the Saxon language Spring,—and so the Spring fast in preparation for the keeping of the Easter Feast.

The time is 40 days between Ash Wednesday and Easter. The Sundays are not included, being so many days above the 40, and are called not Sundays *of* Lent, but Sundays *in* Lent, being always Feast Days from the fact that each Sunday is but the Easter Day, or the Lord's Day repeated in each Sunday of the year.

From these few words we can see that Lent was not an "invention of a corrupt Church in the dark ages, when the greater part of the world ran to ceremony." It was the reverent, loving tribute of the early Church in the full vigor of it purity, zeal and holiness, to follow after the steps of Him who came as the Saviour of men. It was the humble effort of deeply earnest lives to live near Him who had become "the life of the world."

ITS REASONABLENESS.

Lent means a good deal of all that is reasonable, and that appeals to man's good sense.

Thus, as we have seen, the earnest efforts of Christian folk to copy the steps of the Master and to be made like unto Him in daily life.

No one who knows himself, ever so little, doubts the fact that in his human life, as in all other men, there is that continued struggle between the higher and lower natures, the flesh and the spirit, the continual and never ending fight between the passions and and appetites of our body life, and the

call to live nobly, purely, which we hear ever sounding in the depths of our better nature. These desires or passions are natural, and God-given, and are parts of his developing plans for the lifting of the race, the world, and each life, to nobler and higher planes of action But the attainment cannot come without the battle, the victory without the fight.

The attainment, so far as we can see, is the putting of the spiritual into the highest place.

Thus when the force, the power, the vigor of the animal parts of our nature are made subservient to the higher or spiritual ones, all this, whether a man follows Christ or not, means struggle, battle, continued effort and care. To aid us comes Lent, with its beautiful, holy, inspiring, yet natural spirit.

It teaches us watchfulness, self restraint, the getting the better of our appetites, the curbing of the animal, the giving the higher part of our nature the chance to assert itself, and it shows us what life's disciplines and struggles and experiences mean.

THE INSPIRATION, OR THE MOTIVE POWER OF LENT.

Clearly this is the life and example of Him, who, as the Saviour of men, shows us how we are to be able to put down sin in our mortal natures It is His undoubted human struggle with temptation, with sin, and His victory over it in His human nature, that gives us men the hope of final conquest over our sins and weakness.

At all times we are to take Him as the one who tells us what life and its struggles and temptations mean. They are a part of life's discipline by which we reach higher points of development. "Though He were a Son, yet learned He obedience through the things which He suffered."

We all know how human valor, courage and success affect us. We say we can do better and be successful when we read how some great hero of the world came to his triumph through human experiences. The sens of his humanity, the knowledge of the fact that we understand him, help us to do better.

So of our Lord. That he went through a pressing, ardent temptation; that His human nature was assailed, that He conquered in the same human way as any other one can, more than once nerves to fight on against all that would defeat us. Lent then means the daily endeavoring of ourselves to follow the steps of Him who is the Saviour of all men, and to be made like unto Him.

When a man dies, they who survive him ask what property he has left behind. The angel who bends over the dying man asks what good deeds he has sent before.—Koran.

WILLIAMSBURG,

VIRGINIA'S SECOND CAPITAL.

By Catherine Frances Cavanagh.

When, a century before the Declaration of Independence, Bacon reduced to ruins Virginia's first capital and only town, he was severely criticised. Twenty-five years later, when the capital was permanently fixed at Williamsburg, which proved far more healthful and fruitful than Jamestown, his impetuous act was classed among the winds that blow good.

"The Court House, built in 1769."
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As in the past, so at the present, the old town offers the best to be had in climate and the products of the earth. Besides offering much to the epicure and the invalid, it is a source of pleasure to the daydreamer and the historical student. The latter, deep in Williamsburg's "pride of former days," may travel her quiet streets and lanes undisturbed by trolleys, trains, automobiles, and other modern things on wheels certain to sound a false note in the midst of colonial dreams.

Duke of Gloucester, its main, tree-sheltered street is a mile long, and terminates in the grounds of William and Mary College on the west, and the old Capitol site on the east. From the west end two roads branch out, one to Richmond, the other to Jamestown. On the east two similar roads lead to Yorktown and York River, respectively. These roads afford us delightful and historic drives.

The College of William and Mary, aptly christened, "The Mother of Statesmen and Presidents," is the second oldest college in this country. It was through the personal appeal of James Blair, who became its first president, and held that position for fifty years, that William and Mary granted the college a charter in the year 1693. Out of the "quit-rents" two thousand pounds sterling was allowed toward the erection of the buildings, and a special tax was levied on Virginians for the maintenance of the institution. Brafferton Hall, planned by Sir Christopher Wren, was the first building to be erected. At one time it was used for the education of the Indians, but as the Indians didn't take kindly to being civilized, it was not

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used for that purpose very long. This building, with its valuable library and its scientific apparatus, was destroyed by fire in 1705. In its place a new building was started in 1710, but not finished until 1719. The chapel was erected as a wing to the main building in 1732, and was for many years used as a burial place for the aristocrats of the colony. Among the bodies still there is that of Norborne Berkeley, the Baron de Botetourt, one time Governor-General of the Colony and Dominion of Virginia. His much-mutilated statue stands on the main walk of the college grounds.

"Powder Horn built by Governor Spottswood in 1716."
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The President's house, erected in 1832, was occupied by Cornwallis on his retreat to Yorktown. When the French took possession they accidentally set fire to it, an act regretted by Louis XVI., who made ample restitution. Several times since then the buildings have been prey to the flames, but, phœnix-like, have arisen from the flames.

No trace remains of the two capitols built in Williamsburg. The original one, erected at expense of Queen Anne and under direction of Governor Spottswood, was destroyed by fire in 1746. The second, erected on the same iste in 1752, was burned eighty years later. It was in this building that Patrick Henry made his famous stamp act speech which roused the colonies. The Clerk's Office of the House of Burgesses still stands at the junction of Duke of Gloucester street and York River Road. Additions have been made since the olden time, and it is now a most inviting home.

The Court House, built in 1769, was also the theatre of stirring pre-Revolutionary scenes. Back of its peaceful green, on Nicholson street, stand three historical homes. One, known as the Coleman house, was the home of William Wirt, the celebrated Attorney-General and biographer of Patrick Henry. The Peachy house is believed to be the one used as Lafayette's headquarters. The Tucker house was the home of Edmund Randolph, Washington's Secretary of State. From him it passed to his kinsman, Sir George Tucker, to whose descendants it still belongs.

Opposite the Court House is the Powder Horn, built by Governor Spottswood in 1716 for the storage of ammunition to be used in his expedition across the Blue Ridge with his band known as the "Knights of the Golden Horseshoe." This able Governor's name is written dimly in the history of the Powder Horn when compared with that of Virginia's last royal Governor, Lord Dunmore, between whom and the colonists the Powder Horn was a bone of contention. Acting on orders from England, in the spring of 1775, Lord Dunmore transferred the contents of the magazine to a British man-of-war, lying below Williamsburg. Patrick Henry rose to the occasion, and with his band of followers, without any bloodshed, compelled the Governor to pay into the Williamsburg treasury the equivalent of the ammunition in gold. The Governor's next act, that of converting his palace into a garrison, again aroused the colonists, and their ire grew so strong when the Governor unexpectedly convened the Assembly that they forcibly entered the Powder Horn and secured some of the arms. A committee of compromise persuaded the men to return these, and the key of the magazine was turned over to the Speaker of the House. An examination of the building revealed the fact that the foxy Governor had caused barrels of powder to be placed under the floor, ready to blow the building and all prying persons to atoms. This dastardly act, together with the report that a band of British were ordered to Williamsburg, so enraged the colonists that Dunmore feared for his life. With his family he flew to the British man-of-war, and later, realizing that he would never again rule in Viginia, he sailed for England, setting the example to the other royal Governors to "abdicate the colonies."

The Powder Horn is now in charge of the Virginian Antiquarian Society, who use it for relics. The key is in charge of Mr. Spencer, proprietor of the Colonial Inn. Toward the maintenance of the society, whose good work deserves support, a dime is charged to visitors entering the building.

On the northwestern corner of the Palace Green once stood the Colonial Palace. Lord Dunmore was its most gorgeous and hospitable tenant, for no matter how much friction was produced between himself and the colonists, he would not allow that to interfere with his social functions. The main building of the palace is believed to have been destroyed by troops passing through to Yorktown, in 1781. Its two wings, used as an office and a guard house res ectively, stood until the Civil War, when they were torn down by the Union soldiers to be used

"Bruton Church, the oldest in continuous use in Virginia."
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in the erection of barracks. On its site now stands "The Grammar and Mattie School," endowed by Mrs. Mary Whaley, long before the Revolution, for the education of poor boys. Her worthy enterprise was not carried out until a century later.

On the east side of the Palace Green, next to Bruton Parish Church, stands the residence of Chancellor Wythe. Here General Washington made his headquarters before the siege of Yorktown.

Bruton Church is the oldest church in continuous use in Virginia. In its beautiful, green, flower-laden churchyard sleep many famous men and lovely women of Colonial times. Its communion service was presented by Queen Anne and King George. The quaint organ is believed to be the first ever brought to this country, while the baptismal font of gray stone was brought from the old church in Jamestown.

The Sunday-schoo balcony was brought from England in the early days of the church. In the old tower hangs a bell inscribed, "Gift of James Tarley to Bruton Parish, 1761." It is one of the church bells that threw dignity to the winds and rang wildly and gayly on that memorable July day when news of the Declaration of Independence reached Williamsburg.

On the site of Lane & Son's store, on Duke of Gloucester street, stood Raleigh Tavern—the Liberty Hall of the South. Here, on several occasions when dissolved by the royal Governors, the young blood of the Legislature met, putting Apollo Room to far sterner uses than dancing and reveling, as was their wont.

Three years after the Declaration of Independence, as though loth to linger in an atmosphere reeking with memories of royalty, the people of Virginia transferred the capital to Richmond, a younger and more thriving town. The would-be witty may call Williamsburg "a finished town," but history is a never-ending serial story, and Williamsburg's present energetic citizens are determined that their town, so blessed with natural resources, shall not rest upon its past fame.—The Pilot.

WARBURTON CHAPEL.

The work of the Sunday-school during the winter has indicated interest and progress.

Two of our scholars are sick, one with mumps the other with scarlet fever, but thus far there has been less sickness in the homes of our scholars than for many years.

Seven members of the school are to unite with the church at the April communion.

A special offering for the Hartford hospital was made March 2nd. The scholars and teachers proved their interest in the work of the hospital by their gifts, amounting in all to $100.

Our Easter offering will be used to help furnish the new chapel of the Tougaloo University at Tougaloo, Miss.

Class socials have been held each week during the past month, two or three classes with their teachers uniting for an evening together.

The mothers' meetings are full of interest and well supported. Mrs. Henry J. Gillett was present at the meeting for March 6th, and spoke to the mothers, giving many helpful suggestions along the line of leading children and encouraging them to do their best in the home.

One class in the sewing school has been dressmaking as their season's work. Now the garments are nearing completion and the girls are eagerly working to have the dresses ready for use on Easter Sunday.

Two classes have been organized among the working girls, for a course of cooking lessons to be given at the chapel.

Sargeant's "Frieze of the Prophets" has been presented to the chapel recently and placed in the teachers' room.

A plan has been presented for a gymnasium to be used in connection with the work carried on for the boys' and girls' clubs. A fund has been started which will be used to buy apparatus for use in the present room until the permanent room is built. The outlined improvements will give in addition to the gymnasium, baths, reading room and a new floor in the primary room.

THE OPEN HEARTH.

The friends of the Open Hearth and all who have taken for many years an interest in the great work already accomplished, now look forward with renewed hope to its future. The purchase of the Hollister property on Grove street, with its attendant advantages, shows that a general interest is felt by all our citizens and that the unwearied labors of Supt. B. N. B. Miller and the commitee of the association, is fully appreciated.

Meanwhile the work of sheltering and caring for the unfortunates who apply is continued at the old home, where so many have found shelter and encouragement to commence a better and nobler life and to look forward to the future as one of hope and good cheer. Every evening services are held in the mission room and the attendance is most gratifying. The Sunday evening services are crowded with attentive hearers and large numbers not only remain after the service to the after meeting, but show by their con-

The quaint organ of Bruton Church. Baptist Church and Powder Horn. Bruton's flower-laden churchyard.

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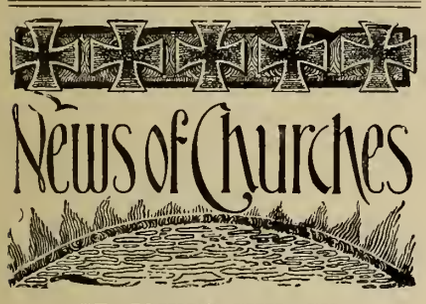
duct that they are in earnest in their desire as expressed by them.

The children's work is constantly increasing and the children's bands which meet twice each week, are well attended. The great thing wanted by the institution has been more room to do the work and this is now to be speedily furnished. The association takes possession of its new quarters May 1st, and although many feel that their affection for the present building will never fade away, all are sensible that a greater work will be accomplished in the new quarters.

The plans, while not yet fully completed, will enable our superintendent to enlarge the work among the children especially, and in this he will be assisted by Mr. Edward C. Perkins, who has lately come among us to assist particularly in this branch of the work and who will have charge of the bands just started and which meet twice each week. He will also act as assistant in other matters and lead the the meetings when Supt. Miller is unavoidably absent. It is proposed to erect additional buildings for a lodging and mission room as speedily as possible and to make the accommodations more commensurate with the great work to be done hereafter by the Open Hearth.



ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

The class is quite a large one that assembles each Sunday afternoon for instruction on confirmation. With this goes the setting forth of the higher or spiritual life, which every one should undertake.

The Knights Templars will meet in St. John's for their annual service on Easter Sunday at 7.45, at which time a sermon will be preached by the rector.

The services thus far during Lent have been inspiring and helpful, and a great part of the credit is due the new vested choir of girls, under the care of Mrs. Pease. To introduce a choir of this sort into our church was to do a novel thing, and we must confess at first it seemed rather doubtful as to the success of such an undertaking. But all our surmises and prejudices were swept away at the first service when the girls sang, and we wonder now such a choir was not tried before. The girls form a procession and sing entering and returning, and they sing well. They all have our thanks for their loyalty and earnestness; and great credit is due Mrs. Pease as well as their organist, Miss Bunce.

The Young Men's Guild is glad to announce that it has been fortunate enough to secure the Rev. Lindsay Parker, rector of St. Peter's, Brooklyn, to preach a sermon during Lent. The date settled upon is Friday, March 21st, and special announcement cards will soon be handed around, giving the hour of service and the subject. The service is primarily for all the men of the city, and invitations are to be sent to all our churches and men's clubs; but every one will be welcome, and we hope that Dr. Parker may be greeted with a large congregation.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER.

The annual parish supper was held on Wednesday evening, March 12th. Supper was served at 6.30, and about 150 participated. The ladies of the church attended the tables and the evening was very enjoyable to all.

Dr. Adams, pastor of the church, acted as toastmaster and the guests responded with pleasing remarks on different phases of religious work Mr. Clarkson N. Fowler, chairman of the parish committee, spoke of the work of the church in general. The meeting was a success in every way.

On Sunday evening, March 16th, the third in the series of monthly meetings was held and considering the weather was well attended. Dr. Adams spoke on the topic, "Master and Man." The choir was assisted by Mrs. Naylor and Mrs. Kelly. The next in the series will be held April 20th.

The guests of the evening were: Rabbi Elkin, of the Synagogue; Rev. W. W. Ranney, of the Park church; Rev. Mr. Woods, of the Theological Seminary and Mr. Twitchell, principal of the West Middle school

Wednesday evening, March 19th, the "Louise Circle of King's Daughters" will give a farce in one act, entitled, "Hunkers P. O." The nominal admission fee of 25 cents will be charged. It is hoped that considerable money will be raised in this way to aid the circle in its works of charity.

Friday and Saturday, April 4th and 5th, the convention of the Young People's Christian Union will be held in this church. There will be a devotional meeting and workers congress on Friday afternoon, followed by a banquet in the evening. The business session will be held Saturday morning.

The meeting on Friday afternoon will be open to all who wish to attend. The speaker will be Rev. L. Ward Brigham, of All Souls Church, Brooklyn, N. Y.

FOURTH CONGREGATIONAL.

There were 17 new members received the first Sunday of the month.

Upon Wednesday evenings Lenten services have been held, and the following were among the speakers: Rev. Mr. R. H. Potter, Dr. M. W. Jacobus, Rev. Mr. Hawes and Dr. Robert Nourse.

Thursday evening, March 27th, there will be a memorial service held.

Good Friday, service, "At the Cross," in memory of the three hours of darkness, from 12 noon to 3 p. m., during which there will be meditations upon the seven words of the cross, by seven clergymen, among whom are Rev. Harold Pattison, Prof. Geer and Dr. Robert Nourse.

Monday evening, March 10th, Dr. Varley lectured on the subject, "The Briton and the Boer." It was very instructive and Mr. Varley is a very forceful and impressive speaker.

Sunday morning, March 9th, Rev. C. R. Fisher and Mr. Geo. W. Leavitt, of the Hartford Seminary, gave a very interesting and instructive report of the Fourth Annual Convention of the Student Volunteer Movement. Mr. Leavitt spoke of the growth of the organization, its leaders, and the personnel and character of the convention. Mr. Fisher gave a resume of the program of the convention dwelling especially upon its spiritual side. The reports showed very clearly both the strength of the organization and the high quality of its latest convention.

TRINITY CHURCH.

The Rt. Rev. Chauncey B. Brewster, Bishop of the Diocese, will visit the parish Easter evening to administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation, for which the rector is instructing a class which meets Monday evenings in the parish house.

The Children's Missionary League meets Friday afternoons, at 3.30, for missionary work, and at 4.30 they practice Easter carols.

Those having attended all the meetings during Lent will be given a Sunday-school choir badge, to be worn at the Easter festival.

The Sunday-school Easter festival will be held at 3 p. m., in the church on Easter day, beginning with a processional from the Sunday-school rooms.

The rainy weather has interferred with Sunday-school attendance, especially among the lower grades. However, in going over the records, it is

very gratifying to note that over 75 have not missed a session during Lent.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society will pack the boxes this week, for which they have been making garments, to be sent to Archdeacon Spurr, of Monndsville, West Virginia.

Sunday mornings during Lent Rev. Geo. K. MacNaught, of Grace chapel, has conducted the services.

At the Wednesday evening services sermons have been preached by Rev. Mr. Scoville, of New Haven and Rev. Dr. Kinsman, of Berkeley Divinity School, Middletown. This week we will have Rev. Mr. Lewis of Waterbury.

Mr. Chas. R. Russell. who has lately moved to this city, having been connected with St. George's Church, New York, is taking part in the Sunday-school work as an assistant secretary.

Mr. Witten, who has given his faithful services to the school since last fall, has removed to Boston, much to our regret.

At the close of the teachers meetings, Thursday evenings, a missionray study is conducted by Mr. Penderell Walker, who, with Mrs. Barbour, has prepared a very interesting course.

Thus far Ugandah, Medical Missiosn in India, Medical Missions in China, Chinese Missions, and the work of the Episcopal Church in China, have been studied.

The method adopted has been to distribute topics on the subject for the next meeting, nsually about six in number, with a time limit of from three to eight minntes for each paper. References are already noted and the books on hand to be taken home. Soon after Easter, lantern slides from the Church Missions House will be nsed to illustrate what we have been over.

PARK CONGREGATIONAL.

On Friday, March 7th, the Mission Circle enjoyed a special meeting at the home of Mrs. E. Couch on Snmner street.

A new map of Palestine has been added to the equipment of the Sunday-school. The attendance is very good and the older church members are becoming more interested.

On March 16th, Rev. George W. Reynolds, of South Manchester, preached in exchange with onr pastor.

It is expected that a meeting of the Mission Study Class on Monday evening, March 17th, may be the last for this season. A large attendance is desired.

On Thursday evening, March 20th, the pastor's topic will be 'The Beginnings of History of the Hebrew People."

On Friday, March 21st, the Ladies' Missionary and Sewing Society will pack a box for the family of the Rev. A. C. Garner, of Washington, D. C. Mr. Garner's height is 5 feet $10\frac{1}{2}$ inches; his wife's, 5 feet 4 inches. They have four daughters, ages 10, 9, 6 and 3, and one boy, aged four. Table cloths, towels, blankets, clothing, etc., may be sent to the chapel Thnrsday evening or Friday morning.

On Tuesday evening, March 11th, some of onr young men met and formed the nucleus of an organization to be called "The Park Chnrch Club." The following executive committee was elected to perfect the organization and carry out plans to be announced in the near fnture: Mr. James L. Howard, Jr., chairman; Mr. Wm. P. Sage, secretary and treasnrer; Messrs. Chas. L. W. Pettee, Thos. W. Russell, William G. Downes and Edward C. Gilbert, executive committee. About twenty names are now on the roll and additional names will be gladly received by the committee.

WETHERSFIELD METHODIST.

A very successful concert was given by the Epworth League, Friday evening, March 14th, at Grange Hall.

The program consisted of selections by the "Ivy Qnartette," of Wesleyan University; "Beta Theta Pi" Mandolin Club and Mr. Judson Hopkins, reader.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN.

Three new elders were ordained Sunday morning, March 2nd. The pastor, Rev. W. W. Breckenridge, preached the sermon and made the ordaining prayer. Prof. Clark S. Beardslee, of the Seminary, assisted in the service and gave the charge to the elders. The three ordained were Mr. Thomas Fleming, Mr. James MacGeachie and Mr. Robert Wright.

At the annual meeting of the society, held Tuesday, March 4th, the board of trnstees of last year were re-elected for the ensuing year. Mr. James Findlay was elected treasurer and Mr. F. W. Lycett, asst. treasnrer.

Sec'y Jacks, of the Y. M. C. A., led the yonng people's meeting Sunday evening, March 9th, and his remarks were very much enjoyed by the congregation.

The Young People's Association has arranged a dramatic and musical entertainment to be given in the chapel of the church, Tnesday evening, Mar. 25th, at 8 o'clock, the proceeds to go towards the society's contribution to the church debt.

Special meetings are to be held in the church two weeks, beginning Wednesday, March 26th. The Rev. Adrian V. S. Wallace, of Thompsonville, and others, are to assist the pastor.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, WEST HARTFORD.

The Snnday evening service, Feb. 9th, was unusually interesting to all present, as the present condition of our colleges, and their relation to the church and the home, was considered. The pastor and Rev. Mr. Day, Rev. H. E. Hart, Prof. C. M. Geer, Mr. N. H. Hall and Prof. John H. Peck gave brief addresses.

The members of the Junior Auxiliary Society, with a number of their friends, spent a very pleasant afternoon at the parsonage, Friday, February 14th. Miss Sarah W. Talcott, of Elmwood, gave an interesting and instructive paper on "Millet, the French Artist," and exhibited copies of his many famous paintings.

The Mission Study Class, under the direction of Prof. C. M. Geer, held its third monthly meeting in the chapel, Snnday evening, Feb. 16th. The snbject for consideration was, "The Early Missions in England, Scotland, Ireland and Germany."

The parish social given by the ladies of the south-west section, under the direction of Mrs. M. J. Burnham, assisted by Mrs. S. P. Griswold, on Friday evening, Feb. 21st, was a very enjoyable affair.

There was a pleasant musical program and an "Art Gallery" in charge of Mrs. Griswold. afforded much amnsement. Refreshments were served.

On Snnday morning, Feb. 23rd, we were favored with the presence of Dr. N. F. Crafts, of Washington, D. C., who gave in substance his address on "Living and Dying Nations," prefacing it by an ontline of the work of the Reform Bnrean of which he is superintendent.

February weather proved quite unfortnnate for the Men's Union. A meeting had been arranged to which the public were invited, but on account of the stormy weather it was necessary to postpone it twice and it was not until March 7th, that the meeting could be held. Prof. C. C. Stearns, of Hartford, gave a very interesting address on "What and How to Read," and Mr. W. H. Seymour gave an informal talk on "Reminiscences of Early West Hartford"

Our Snnday-school offerings during the month of March are to be devoted to the work in which Miss Clara F. Mallory and Miss Daisy T. Day, members of onr school, are engaged, in the Sonth.

On Friday, March 14th, the Junior Auxiliary Society met in the chapel

and packed two barrels of clothing, which were to be sent to Miss Daisy Day, for her work among the students at Williamsburg Academy, Williamsburg, Ky.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

Our new rector, Rev. George T. Linsley, took charge of the parish at the morning service, Sunday, March 16th.

In his sermon he alluded to the change of rectorship made necessary by the death of our late beloved rector, Rev. C. G. Bristol, and his long friendship with him. He spoke of his desire and determination to work faithfully for the best interests of the parish, and asked the co-operation of all members to help and assist him, that the parish might be made a power for good in the city.

At the February meeting of the Men's League, Mr. Alfred T. Richards spoke on "Wild Wales and Welsh Preachers." He gave an interesting account of early Welsh history; their hatred for the Saxon, and the great power of the Welsh preachers and the present prosperity of the Welsh people. Miss Richards rendered two Welsh songs, which were greatly enjoyed, and a chorus sang the stirring Welsh song, "Men of Harlach."

The March meeting of the League will be held on Thursday, March 20th. Mr. Willard C. Gompf will be the speaker, and his subject, 'John Brown's Raid on Harper's Ferry and who furnished the Sharp's Rifles." The Girls' Friendly Society will furnish the lunch.

The rector will conduct the services on the last two Friday evenings in Lent.

The usual Lenten services on Friday evenings, have been omitted thus far this year, but there has been ample opportunity to attend Lenten services at other churches in the city.

UNITY CHURCH.

The February social was given on the evening of the 27th. A one-act play, "The First Time," was presented. Mr. Mather took the part of the artist, Miss Moses, the model, Miss Eaton the drudge, Miss Reardon, the wealthy widow and Mr. Morgan, the actor. It was a decided success.

The Sunday-school social was held on the evening of the 28th. A Washington cherry tree furnished entertainment.

On account of Mr. Waite's illness, the pulpit was supplied by the Rev. S. R. Free, on March 16th. He gave an interesting sermon on "Ideals," and in the Sunday-school talked to the children, using as his subject, Lowell's verse, "Life is a sheet of paper—white."

SUFFIELD STREET BAPTIST.

Miss Margaret Dorcas Day celebrated the first anniversary of her birth, Wednesday, March 19th, at her home on Pliny street. She invited the Dorcas Sewing Society to her party.

The older Juniors gave an old lady a treat, recently, by a short song service at her home. The Junior work progresses well. The fancy blocks made by the members, will make a unique and pretty comfortable for some mission school.

The rainy Sundays have affected the Sunday-school very little, except in the primary class.

Sunday evening, March 16th, Miss Alice Brown, a student at the Theological Seminary, gave a very interesting talk on "Turkey." Mr. Lovell favored us with a vocal solo.

The choir is hard at work on music for Easter, glad to help in remembering once more the source of our hope.

WETHERSFIELD BAPTIST.

Rev. Mr. Elsden has returned and preached for us last Sunday. The prayer meetings have been well sustained, led by Mr. Morton.

A committee of young people have been chosen with Mr. G. Mildrum, chairman, to conduct social gatherings monthly.

FIRST BAPTIST.

Dr. Shepardson closed his special services with us on March 7th. He proved himself an ideal evangelist, attracting while here, audiences of thoughtful, earnest men and women from every class, and holding the interest of his hearers by logical reasoning and calm, forceful earnestness. He goes away having accomplished much good and having gained many friends.

The last meeting of the Men's League was unusually good. Besides the splendid vocal and violin selections which were greatly enjoyed, there was an address by the Rev. B. F. Hahn, of Springfield, on "Humming Birds." On this subject Mr. Hahn is an authority, having himself a collection of these little birds. Then Dr. Coleman Adams, who has written several books on nature, gave us a charming talk.

The choir of the church have all been re-engaged for the coming year, beginning April 1st. Mrs. Herrick has been our soprano for six years and a half; Miss Agatha Braheney, alto, and Mr. Chas. D. Crocker, tenor, came to us a year ago; Mr. Shumway, bass, begins his twelfth year in the choir in April; Mr. Bolles, organist and director, has held that position nearly sixteen years.

Last Sunday the preliminary steps were taken in organizing what is to be known as 'The Young Men's Bible Class of the First Baptist Sunday-school."

The annual meeting of the Young People's Association occurred on Tuesday evening, March 11th.

FARMINGTON AVE. CONGREGATIOAL.

The Y. P. S. C. E. gave a most enjoyable social Monday evening, Mar. 10th, in the upper rooms of the parish house, which consisted of a Bonnet Trimming Bee and a Musical Romance. It was thoroughly enjoyed by a somewhat small attendance, owto previous poor weather, which had a dampening effect upon people in general.

Especially fine work was done by Messrs. N. B. Bassett, W. A. Willard and W. G. Hawes, in the trimming of hats, and many a perplexed woman would have been delighted to have purchased one of those for her spring outfit.

Miss Christine Engelke presided at the piano during the Musical Romance, which was indeed a novel affair. Prizes were awarded for the best guesses submitted.

Especial thanks are due the social committee which consisted of Mrs. H. W. Alden, chairman; Mrs. H. G. Bissell, Miss Grace D. Thayer, Miss Bertha Messenger, Mrs. N. B. Bassett, Miss Loraine S. Brown, Mr. David Calhoun and Mr. Raymond Jacobs.

Coffee and sandwiches were served at the close by the committee in charge.

Mrs. W. H. Stevens, supt. of Chinese Sunday-school, is expected home from Summerville, S. C., this week, where she has been spending the past month

On Friday, March 21st, the Ladies' Home Missionary Society will hold its annual meeting for election of officers. At 6 p. m., one of the old fashioned Pearl Street Suppers will be served. Those attending will be expected to bring some article of food and pay ten cents. All attending may be assured of a pleasant time.

The Y. P. S. C. E. social committee will arrange a literary and musical entertainment for the same evening.

The choir, assisted by a chorus of voices, will render music appropriate to Easter on Sunday evening, March 30th.

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THE PROBLEM OF GRIEF AND PAIN.

The "uses of adversity" have been set forth time and again by pulpit and pen and yet it still remains one of the most perlexing mysteries, why God permits physical suffering to bruise the body and mental pain to pierce the mind.

"Suffering chastens the spirit," we are told, and so, often indeed, it truly follows, but how often is the reverse true, and the heart overwhelmed by sorrow or pain, becomes pessimistic and atheistic. The tortured soul often argues, "there is no merciful God, or He would not permit my pain."

To how many, ere life closes, does the supreme attraction of heaven become, its freedom from suffering and sorrow. How many are praying today to be relieved of life, with the intolerable burden it has for them. How many, alas, by force sever the soul from the body, in the hope that it ends their suffering for all time.

The world is full of grief and pain to-day and the history of mankind teems with it. Even the animals are subject to it. In times past men have tried to steel their souls and bodies against it, and we read to-day of the endurance of the Stoics, with wonder and a certain admiration.

In the present day another cu t tries to escape it by saying, there is no pain or sorrow; that it is all the result of a diseased imagination; yet fire blisters their flesh and they recoil at it, and their hearts are not yet proof against affliction.

Hardest of all to understand, perhaps, why God should have so afflicted His Son, or permitted the affliction, which impelled Him to cry out in agony, "My God, why hast Thou forsaken me." Intense agony of body in the cruel death of crucifixion, and a supreme agony of mind which we cannot comprehend.

No, we cannot solve this problem by any human reasoning. It requires faith. Faith that God would not permit suffering unless it were essential to the final right working out of his plans.

And as we are, most of us, pitiful by instinct, in the presence of suffering, we must believe that the great heart of Him, in whose image we are made, is in no wise insensible to our pain and sorrow.

"There is no God," the foolish saith,
But none, "There is no sorrow,"
And nature oft, the cry of faith,
In bitter need will borrow,
Eyes which the preacher could not school
By wayside graves are raised,
And lips say, "God be pitiful,"
Who ne'er said, "God be praised."
—Mrs. Browning.

The release of Miss Stone still has its echoes at the State Department in Washington and it is possible the money that was raised for her ransom may go back into proper church channels if the Department can bring the Sultan to terms as it has successfully done heretofore. There has already been a note, stronger than an intimation, that the Turkish government will be expected to make good the amount of the ransom and the United States minister at Constantinople has presented a note to the Porte demanding punishment for the guilty parties. So far the Porte in reply repudiates any responsibility, alleging that the offense was committed in Bulgaria, and therefore all liability is denied. It is likely that a strict investigation will be set on foot to get at the facts of the case, and that action will follow. In the meantime Miss Stone is en route to this country where she will visit her family, recuperate and perhaps lecture.

Greetings and best wishes to Rev. James A. Macmillan, who has been called to the pastorate of the So. Park Methodist church. Greetings and best wishes, also, to Rev. Burdette Brown who comes to take the place of Rev. Wm. M. Carr, of St. Paul's Methodist church, Parkville. Rev. E. S. Ferry retires for a season for rest which he has well deserved. Rev. Mr. Carr has done a splendid work in Parkville and will make his mark wherever he goes.

A noble work has been done for years at the Open Hearth under Supt. Miller's direction, and the new quarters promise a more extensive field for work. This is an outpost which should be liberally supported. Isn't it your business to lend a helping hand, or purse?

School consolidation is coming to the front again and it's time it was settled and settled right. Hartford is well behind the times with its district school system and its unfair method of taxation.

After the schools have been consolidated let us hope that names of some significance may be bestowed upon them. We have pretty well exhausted the points of the compass for names and perhaps now can find some names in our histories, sufficiently distinguished to be bestowed upon our grammar schools.

Christ Church is to be congratulated upon securing for its rector, Rev. Jas. Goodwin, now located at Nashua, N. H. He is the son of Rev. Francis Goodwin of this city, a graduate of Trinity College and of the General Theological Seminary of New York. He begins his connection with Christ Church, Sunday, April 27th.

This is a period of many changes in Hartford ministerial ranks. Rev. J. B. Connell of the Olivet Baptist church, Parkville, has resigned, after a successful pastorate of four and a half years.

GLENWOOD CONGREGATIONAL.

On April 8th, we are to have our city election, and possibly vote on the license question. There are few of us, but we are going to do all we can to make our city a no-license one. We urge our brothers who believe in the Lord Jesus Christ to do likewise, and by so doing, enable one and all of our citizens to be able to walk upon the street and not see numerous men staggering along in a drunken condition, a sight which is common not only week days, but on the Lord's Day as well. It is a disgrace to our city and o all of us who take the name of Jesus to allow it.

The Mission Study Class completed the study on Japan during February. It will not take up any more studies until fall.

On account of the heavy rain storm on the evening the Ladies' Society were to have their supper, it was postponed for two evenings.

At our last communion, five persons were admitted to membership, four upon confession of faith, and one by letter from a sister church. Two children were also baptized.

ASYLUM HILL CONGREGATIONAL

The last of a series of talks on the Old Testament, before the Teachers' Club, was given Monday evening, Mar. 17th, by Professor Beardslee, of the Seminary. These talks have been very interesting and well attended.

The attendance in the Men's Class is still large, averaging over fifty thus far.

The Young People's Federation have secured plans for a parish house to extend east from the present chapel and are starting out to raise the necessary $35,000 to build and furnish it. If built, it will be a splendid adjunct for the increased work of the church, for the present space and facilities are very inadequate.

NEW BRITAIN AVE. MISSION.

Preparations for Easter are in the hands of committees. The exercises taking place at 3 p. m., on the 30th.

The preaching services Sunday evenings have been conducted the past few weeks by Rev. L. L. Potter, Prof. Gillette of the Seminary, Rev. J. C. Adams of the Universalist church, Rev. Mr. Williams and Rev. Mr. Macy of Newington. Rev J. Sulla Cooper will preach Sunday, March 23rd.

Our teachers meetings are now held from 8 to 9 p. m., on Mondays.

The Ladies' Aid Society is still active and arranging for another supper the 1st of April, the proceeds to go towards the chair fund.

A postponed entertainment, under the auspices of the Mission King's Daughters, was given in the mission room, Tuesday evening, the 18th, by the King's Daughters connected with the Memorial Baptist church.

WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

A Frances Willard memorial service was held Feb. 18th. The devotional exercises included scripture selections and favorite hymns of Miss Willard's, with prayer by Mrs. E. S. Ferry. A paper entitled, "Glimpses of Miss Willard's Life," was prepared and read by Mrs. C. S. Lee. "An Interview with Miss Willard," was given by Mrs. F. A. Brockett; "How the Work Goes On," by Rev. S. B. Forbes and closing thoughts were by our president, Mrs. C. B. Forbes, upon "The Monument we Build." A good attendance was present.

The W. C. T. U. would call attention to the efforts in progress for the omission of the temperance lessons from the International Sunday-school series, and trust that many protests will be presented from all church organizations.

WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

A member's reception was held on the evening of February 15th, and was enjoyed by all who attended. The entertainment consisted of games planned for by Mrs. Lilienthal, and music furnished by Mrs. Robb. Light refreshments were served during the evening.

The class in physical culture has finished the course of twelve lessons and about half the class will continue for six weeks of advanced work. A new class is being formed for a course of twelve lessons, and will meet on Wednesday evenings.

A cordial invitation is extended to all the young women who are readers of the Church Review to visit the rooms of the Association and become acquainted with its work. We need the sympathy and co-operation of all the young women of Hartford. Will you not join us and help to bring this about?

The classes and clubs in the Girl's Branch have been well attended during the month. The U. S. Club, composed of girls over 13, had a valentine and fudge party on St. Valentine's Day. This club, which meets the first Friday of the month, held its meeting on the 7th of March. After the regular business, Mr. Nairn entertained the club with a story of ranch life in Texas and some music. A marshmallow toast followed and the evening closed with the singing of hymns.

At the monthly meeting of the managers of the association there was an exhibition of the work done by the classes of the Girl's Branch. Aprons, skirts, patchwork, table covers, baskets, and cake from the cooking class, were some of the things displayed.

The Brownie Club of the younger girls, held their monthly meeting on Thursday evening, March 13th.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

In the Hillyer Institute preparations are now being completed for the annual examinations that are taken by the students under the auspices of the International Committee in New York City. These International examinations are becoming more and more important, and this year the Hartford Association will have the largest number participating at any time during the last two or three years. The certificates granted to student as a result of these examinations are recognized by nearly all the leading educational institutions of the country.

In the religious work department the meetings at the Hartford Opera House have been very largely attended and exceedingly interesting. The attendance has averaged over 600 each Sunday. The speakers have presented the gospel message in most telling addresses and in the after meetings large numbers of men have been personally dealt with. It is hoped that many of these will be led into church fellowship during the coming year.

The 24th Anniversary of our Association will be held this year on Sunday, May 11th. Captain Richmond Pearson Hobson, of the United States Navy, the hero of Santiago, has been secured for the speaker of the occasion. He will address two mass meetings on Sunday; one for men only, in the Hartford Opera House, in the afternoon, at 3 o'clock, and another in Parson's Theater, Sunday evening, open to ladies and gentlemen.

The attendance at the boys' gospel meetings every Sunday, has been well sustained and averaged over 250. One of the most successful features in the boys' work this winter is that of the Bible Study Club. One hundred boys are in this club, with a waiting list of from 15 to 20 all the time.

The Finance Committee are still at work endeavoring to get the money necessary to close up the fiscal year in good shape. There is a little misapprehension in the minds of some people in referene to the raising of money for current expenses. It is necessary every year to raise five or six thousand dollars over and above all regular sources of income. The regular income consists of membership fees and rents from the building. As the membership fees are kept low, so as not to debar any young man from the privileges provided, it is always necessary to raise considerable more than the income that would be provided in that way. This year, owing to the raising of the mortgage debt, there is danger that the money usually received in annual contributions may be somewhat less than usual. On this account the trustees are hoping that many friends will be willing to respond a little more liberally in order that the full amount needed may be provided.

Mr. A. H. Pomeroy, 98 Asylum street, is now ready with his line of bicycles for this season. Every taste and purse can be met at this store from the very best of the 1902 models, to a few low-priced second hand wheels. Call and see how little money will buy a new and serviceable bicycle.

ADDITIONAL CHURCHES
SOUTH CONGREGATIONAL.

The recent rainy Sundays have had a noticeable effect upon all the services of the church.

Rev. Mr. Bacheller, of Hockanum, gave an address on "Experiences in a Southern Parish" at a recent mid-week meeting.

The series of very enjoyable teas given during the winter by the Ladies' Sewing Society, was brought to a close on Friday, the 14th. There was a large attendance and the gathering was as usual, a very pleasant one.

Several of our people are interested in the Morgan street young people's meetings, in co-operation with those from other churches.

The Mission Study Class is meeting alternate Mondays, the next meeting being March 24th.

Samuel Dorman, an active member of our Young People's Society, has removed to Great Barrington, Mass.

WETHERSFIELD CONGREGATIONAL.

"Cranford," an old story which has been dramatized, was given in Grange Hall, Monday evening, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society.

Envelopes have been distributed by the Prudential committee soliciting pledges for the reduction of the church debt.

SOUTH BAPTIST.

A "Surprise Entertainment" will be given by the Ladies' Benevolent Society, in the chapel, Friday evening, March 21st. The admission will be 15 cents, and the proceeds will be used towards church repairs.

There will be a meeting of the Men's League in the church parlors, Tuesday evening, March 18th. It is expected that Judge Wm. J. McConville will address the meeting.

The regular business meeting of the C. E. Society was held at the home of the president, Mr. Geo. Jamieson, on Quaker Lane, West Hartford, Tuesday evening, March 11th. After the meeting a social hour was spent.

The social committee are planning for a social, to be held March 26th, in the church parlors. It is to be a "War and Peace Social," and will we think, prove very interesting and unique. The admission is by ticket. We have used this method for the last two socials and it has proved very successful. Ice cream will be sold following the entertainment.

Our pastor is giving a series of Sunday evening sermons, one Sunday a month, called "The Religious Messages of the Great English Poets of the Nineteenth Century," which are very interesting Sunday evening, March 9th the poet was Percy Bysshe Shelley. April 13th, will be "The Religious Message of Matthew Arnold." No seats reserved after 7.30.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

Two evenings this month we were very interestingly entertained by our church clerk, Mr. W. J. Pierce, who gave us a very vivid account of the Mid-winter Prophetic Convention which was held in Boston in February.

A pleasant company gathered at the parsonage, Monday evening, March 17th, the occasion being a pound party which, by some means, was kept from or pastor's knowledge. With songs and various amusements, the evening was pleasantly and quickly passed, but with how much profit to the pastor's family we cannot say.

We had one new member join the church on profession of faith at the last communion.

There is quite a little restlessness in the minds of some, on the subject of individual communion cups, which may result in their adoption sooner or later.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, EAST HARTFORD.

At the communion service this month we had the rare experience of welcoming into our fellowship on confession of faith, an entire family, Mr. and Mrs. Everett S. Williams and their daughter, Jessie, and also Ralph E. Goodwin.

Rev. J. W. Cooper, D. D., of New Britain, exchanged pulpits with our pastor one Sunday this month.

A very interesting Sunday-school conference was held March 11th, with Rev. Mr. Talmadge as the speaker.

ST. THOMAS CHURCH.

Our rector, Rev. Mr. Warner, has been obliged to take a rest, as he was feeling so unwell. He went to the hospital on Feb. 23rd, for treatment, remaining there a week, when he returned to his home. He is now improving, which will be joyful news to his parishioners and friends, and he hopes to resume his services Palm Sunday, March 23rd.

March 2nd, Rev. Charles H. Hayes, of Trinity College, preached and administered the holy communion. Mar. 9th, Rev. F. D. Hoskins preached morning and evening. Mar. 16th, Rev. Francis Goodwin preached in the morning and the evening service was taken by Mr. George H. Heyn, lay-reader of Trinity College, who has been very helpful in Sunday-school. Mr. Heyn and Mr. R. H. Burton, lay-readers, have taken the week-day services during Mr. Warners illness.

Tuesday in Holy Week, March 25th, which is also the Feast of the Annunciation, Bishop Brewster is to visit the parish both morning and evening. In the morning at 10 o'clock, Mr. R. H. Burton is to be ordained deacon. Rev. H. Lilienthal will preach the sermon and it is expected that several of the clergy of this archdeaconry will be present and take part in the service. Mr. Burton has been reading service in Christ Church, Unionville, since last October. In the evening Mr. Warner expects to present a large class for confirmation.

CENTER CONGREGATIONAL.

The committee of the society desires to inform the congregation that strangers will not be seated in pews likely to be occupied by pew-holders, but that the ushers will feel at liberty to seat guests in any pew after a quarter to eleven

The monthly meeting of the Hartford Branch of the W. B. M., was held in the church parlors Tuesday, March 18th. Subject: "Progress of Christianity in Western Europe from Constantine to Charlemagne."

The Rev. Lindsay Parker, D.D., will speak to young men at St. John's church, Friday evening, March 21st.

The ministers will usually be at the parsonage from 12 to 1 o'clock each week day, except Monday.

BLUE HILLS AVE. CHAPEL.

Mr. Gaylord has begun work in Charlemont, Mass., the field to which he has recently been called. This leaves the care of the Sunday evening services to Mr. Hawkes. The attendance at the service has been steadily increasing, although the severe storms have been something of a drawback to large numbers. It may be o interest to note that the attendance at the Sunday-school sessions has been proportionately larger on the stormy Sundays than at some of our down-town churches.

Miss Walden, State Superintendent of the Home Department, addressed the Sunday-school a short time ago, giving an inspiring talk upon the value of the Sunday-school, and especially recommending renewed interest, and more vigorous work in the Home Department field.

Through the efforts of Mrs. Hockert, a Juvenile Temple has been formed with Miss Sweet as its president, the remaining offices being filled by the children. This form of work for the children has commended itself to those

who have known of it in other places. At the initial service, Mr. James, of Rockville, gave an address, a musical program was carried out and its promoters hope that the Legion gathered an impetus that will carry it on its way to helpfulness and far-reaching good.

SOUTH PARK METHODIST.

On Wednesday evening, March 26th, in the parlors of the church, a reception will be given to Mr. and Mrs. Ferry and members of the choir.

The Rev. J. A. Macmillan has accepted the invitation of the church to become its pastor for the ensuing year, if the Bishop shall appoint him.

On Thursday evening, March 27th, the sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed.

Monday evening, March 10th, an entertainment was given in the chapel by the members of the Junior Epworth League, which was greatly enjoyed.

The ladies of the Woman's Home Missionary Society held a cake sale in the chapel, Saturday afternoon, March 15th.

ASYLUM AVE. BAPTIST.

Friday afternoon, March 7th, the Junior C. E. Society gave a 5 o'clock tea in the church parlors. The society elected the following officers at the business meeting, March 9th, for the year 1902: Pres., Mr. Smyth; vice-pres., Miss Barrows; secy., Miss Wilbur; treas., Mrs. Bridgman.

ST. PAUL'S METHODIST.

The following young people have been appointed an executive committee by St. Paul's Epworth League, to have in charge the arrangements for the entertainment of the New Haven District Convention, which will meet in this church in May, namely: Percy E. Shoemaker, Miss Jessie Whelan and J. B. Whelan. There are a little more than seventy Epworth Leagues and Christian Endeavor Societies in the district.

April 1st, the pastor, the Rev. William M. Carr, will have completed four years service. He found 199 full members and 53 probationers, a total of 252. There are now 304 full members and 66 probationers, a total of 370, a net increase in four years of 118. The pastor has officiated at 24 marriages and baptized 96 persons. He has conducted 22 funerals, but it is a remarkable fact that only five of those who died were members of the church, though several were children of members. This fact speaks volumes for the healthfulness of this section of the city.

The splendid new brick church on the corner of Park and Amity streets has been built during the present pastorate, at a cost of about $20,000., taking the place of the little temporary wooden building, which became entirely inadequate. Not only has the total amount of money required been secured to pay for the new property, but a mortgage of $1600. upon the old temporary church has been paid. The church year closes with every dollar for current expenses provided for and the budget for the coming year amply met by a new system to which the members of the church are loyally responding. Every department of the church is in first-class shape and St. Paul's church faces a bright future.

BLOOMFIELD CONGREGATIONAL

In spite of storm, snow drifts and unspeakable mud, services have been held every Sunday thus far this spring.

The Easter service for the Sunday-school will take the place of the regular morning service, March 30th. Mr. Miller, the superintendent, has been hard at work for some time preparing the program, which will be one of interest to young and old. The weather has presented a serious obstacle to the rehearsals, but having begun so early, all will be in readiness for Easter.

The Seventy-fifth anniversary of the Sunday-school will take place in May. The school was founded in April, 1827, but that there may be more certainty of having, if possible, some of the charter members present, the exercises connected with the anniversary have been postponed until May when there is more likelihood of pleasant weather. The program will be given in the next issue of the Church Review.

Mr. Jonathan Bidwell, the oldest member of the church, died early Sunday morning, March 16th. Mr. Bidwell was injured by the falling of a barn door Jan. 18th of this year, sustaining a fracture of the left hip. Being 88 years of age, the doctors gave little hope that he would ever be able to walk again, but his great vitality and temperate habits seemed for a time to be a refutation of their opinion.

Mr. Bidwell, though not in any way a public man, was one whose influence was strongly felt in the community. Deeply interested in the welfare of the church, he joined the Ecclesiastical Society in 1836, when 22 years of age, and he probably attended more than sixty of the annual meetings of the society. In 1865, he became a member of the Allyn Fund Committee and has been its chairman since 1883. Up to the last he was interested in the distribution of the income of that fund which, by will, had been left to the worthy poor of the parish. It was not until 1872 that he joined the church and his prominent characteristic of faithfulness to every duty has shown out more conspicuously in his new church relations ever since. Men of such dependable character and exemplary life are altogether too few. We miss one when he is taken.

NORTH METHODIST.

The recitals given by Miss Elsie J. Dresser, Mrs. Roulston and Mrs. Wright, have proved interesting and were enjoyed by the large audiences. Miss Dresser's next recital will be given about the middle of April.

Rev. D. W. Howell, the pastor, was surprised by the official board and their wives last week at the parsonage, the occasion being the 35th anniversary of his birth. A good time was had by all, and a handsome chair was presented to Mr. Howell by the board, Mr. Howard A. Camp making the presentation speech. Mr. Parker also made some appropriate remarks.

The Missionary Society has taken on new life, and the collections exceed those of last year.

Mr. Howel has been called back to the church for another year by the unanimous vote of the board. He is well liked, both as a pastor and personally by every one and the congregations are largely increased.

The Sunday-school has an orchestra, and its playing tends to make the singing better.

The presiding elder, Rev. Dr. Adams, held the fourth quarterly conference last week, and was much gratified with the condition of the church and its work.

Easter Sunday will be appropriately observed by the church and Sunday-school.

WINDSOR AVE. CONGREGATIONAL.

Our pastor, Rev. H. E. Peabody, and Mrs. Peabody, are spending a few weeks South in order that Mr. Peabody may recuperate after his long illness.

Professor Paton, of the Seminary, occupies the pulpit during the pastor's absence.

Rev. S. B. Forbes spoke at the last meeting of the C. E. Society, the subject being, "Temperance." A very interesting talk was given.

The C. E. Society will give a social and entertainment, Wednesday evening, March 26th.

The teachers' tea will be held Thursday evening.

Bailey & Potter have sold to Minn'e A. Wesson, a two-tenement house on Mahl Avenue for Edward Mahl of New York; to John Whaples, farm in Andover for M A. Birch; to Norman C. Stiles of Watertown, N. Y., house on Kenyon street; to Mrs. E. Sames, house in Burnside, for Fred Paradise; to W. A. Upham of New Haven, farm in Bloomfield, for Walter Berman of Granby; to C. W. Day of Hartford, farm in Tariffville, for W. L. Jones

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Home office property	265,000.00
Other real estate owned by the Company	647,412.83
Stocks and bonds	4,066,243.60
Premium notes and loans on policies	900,624.41
Cash in Company's office	512.08
Cash in banks	410,755.03
Interest accrued and due	154,151.63
Net Deferred and outstanding premiums	241,969.62
Total	$14,409,255.21

LIABILITIES.

Reserve on policies in force, (issue of 1901, at 3%)	$13,547,257.00
Claims by death, papers complete	None.
Claims by death, papers incomplete, and notified claims	37,760.00
Instalment claim liability	33,882.00
Premiums paid in advance	10,733.00
Special policy reserve	154,895.00
Surplus or additional guarantee over and above all computed and contingent liabilities	624,728.21
Total	$14,409,255.21

	1899.	1900.	1901.
Premium Receipts	$ 2,180,795	$ 2,545,547	$ 2,651,583
Insurance in Force	57,988,162	63,802,139	65,872,834

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

HARTFORD UNION NOTES.

HARTFORD CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR UNION.

The directors of the Union wlil meet Tuesday, April 1st, at the Farmington Ave. Congregational church, at 6 p. m., for supper and a business meeting. The main business to be transacted will be the planning of our April Union meeting. This meeting will include all committees appointed by the president, together with the executive committee.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

Dear Endeavorers:

This month I wish to call your attention to the New England C. E. Convention to be held at Boston in October, the outline of which you will find following this letter.

Wednesday, Oct. 14th, the Endeavorers of our state will hold their annual meeting. It has been decided to devote the morning to the reports of the officers and committees and to other business. The afternoon will be given up to committee conferences and practical work of the committees.

NEW ENGLAND C. E. CONVENTION.

The Christian Endeavorers all over New England are much interested in the plans for the New England convention, to be held in Boston, Oct. 14, 15, 16 and 17, 1902.

The program committee has just outlined some of the features of this gathering. The committee consists of Rev. Chas. D. Crane of Maine, Rev. John E. Smith of New Hampshire, Col. E. G. Osgood of Vermont, Dr. F. B. Sprague of Rhode Island, Rev. Russell T. Hall, D. D., of Connecticut. H. N. Lathrop, George E. Copeland, Rev. Jas. J. Dunlop, George W. Coleman, Arthur W. Robinson of Massachusetts.

The opening session will be held Tuesday afternoon, Oct. 14th, with the usual opening exercises, welcomes, responses, etc. There will also be two addresses at this session, the speakers to be announced later. Tuesday evening the theme will be "Good Citizenship." Wednesday will be state day and quiet hour meetings will be held in the morning at the state headquarters. The program for the remainder of the day has been left with the state organizations, and the meetings will be held at the various state headquarters.

On Thursday morning one large quiet hour meeting will be held in Tremont Temple. Following that, in the same auditorium, there will be a discussion of practical methods of work along the lines of the various activities of Christian Endeavor. These will include "Open Parliaments," "Round Tables" and "Schools of Methods," the idea being to bring out the best way in which Christian Endeavor work can be done.

The first half of the Thursday afternoon session will be devoted to missionary addresses and the latter part to junior work.

The closing session on Thursday evening will have for its general subject, "Christian Endeavorers as Workers Along Evangelistic Lines."

Junior work will receive especial attention at this meeting, and a conference of junior workers will be held on each day of the convention.

Friday, Oct. 17, will be devoted to sight seeing in and about Boston, and excursions will be arranged to all points of historic interest.

The officers of the United Society have joined heartily in this work. The completion of the details with reference to the program has been left to a sub-committee, consisting of Rev. J. J. Dunlop, Dr. F. B. Sprague, Rev. John E. Smith, H. N. Lathrop, Geo. W. Coleman and Arthur W. Robinson.

Special rates will be secured from all points in New England, the railroads co-operating heartily in the plan for bringing the Endeavorers of New England together in Boston.

As there is to be no international convention next year, this gathering will take the place of the larger conventions, and in influence and interest promises to be the equal of many of those meetings.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS.

(From the Presbyterian C. E. Manual)

Sun., Mar. 16. Topic—A Noble Purpose. Dan. 1: 8-20 (Temperance meeting.)

Daniel had been well trained and his training had formed in his soul great principles which ruled his life.

Daniel knew that going against his conscience would defile him, and he would rather die than stain his soul with sin.

Daniel found that temperance was a good thing. He and his friends were in better condition than those who had taken the king's rich food and wines.

Daniel's courage in beginning right laid the foundation of his future greatness. If he had failed in his first testing, he would never have been heard of in the Bible story.

Sun., Mar. 23. Topic—"Our Own for Christ." Ps. 85: 1-13. A meeting in the interest of Home Missions.

God's mercy never fails; it is we who fail. We need to pray continually, "Turn us," "Quicken us."

If we are to have glory in our land we must get God's salvation everywhere among the people.

If we would have real prosperity in our country we must have righteousness and truth which only the Bible can teach.

We should seek to make God's footsteps a way for all the people to walk in; only the gospel will do this.

Sun., Mar. 30. Topic—The Risen Life: Christ's—Ours. Luke 24: 1-12: Col. 3: 1-10. (Easter service.)

Christ has the keys of death and the grave.

If we are believers in Christ we are now risen with him in a spiritual sense. Therefore we must live a risen, that is, a heavenly life.

There are things we must put off, give up, mortify, or make dead. Imagine an angel or a saint from heaven doing the things mentioned in Col. 3: 8, 9. No more fit are these things for a Christian.

There are things also which a Christian should put on. See Col. 3: 12-14 for a shining list.

Sun., Apr. 6. Topic—Growing in Grace. II Pet. 3: 17, 18; I Pet. 2: 1, 2; Eph. 4: 12-15.

In an everyday garden no one expects flowers to grow without being planted, weeded, watered, and kept free from destructive foes. Growth has its rules—they are simple, but they must be obeyed.

In the soul-garden, on the other hand, people expect weeds to pluck themselves up and flowers to bloom where no seed has been scattered and no care given. Of course, they are always disappointed; but they keep on looking for the same impossible happenings.

"I find no comfort in prayer," said one Christian to another. "How much time daily do you give to prayer?" was asked The complainer flushed and was dumb. Five minutes would have covered the devotions of each day.

INVALID SCHOOLGIRLS.

All grades of invalidism are found among girls who should be full of vigor and abounding with health. God make them to be so. Life should be at its best in childhood and youth. Give the girls as well as the boys the natural freedom they require, with practical employment, and they outrun invalidism.

The high pressure of school life from its first grade to graduation is destructive to a girl's health if she keeps up with her grade. It is a brain cramming process at the expense of health to go through a course of study in a given time, without regard to demands of nature for change and rest. It is generally education in books to the neglect of practical knowledge. All through the years of school life the girl is little account in the home work. If she cares for her room-work and clothing she does well.

The mother drudges and waits upon her daughter to keep her in school and relieves her from the necessary exercise and the knowledge of house work that she may study. The result in most cases is broken-down health and woeful ignorance of what every woman ought to know.

What if the girl does not push through school, let her take care of her health and help her mother to take care of hers and grow up under her training, and good for something all the way along. She may be years in going through school or she may never take the higher studies, but if she has fundamental knowledge with practical education and good health she is well-fitted for a life of usefulness, and will know how to add to her knowledge all through life. This is one of many things that come in the way of a school-girl's health.—The Girl's Friend.

MAGAZINE NOTICES.

The most incisive and most keenly analytical sketches of public men which have been prepared during the past two years have been those of William Allen White. The humorous little episode between Mr. White and Mr. Thomas C. Platt is still fresh in the public memory. Mr. White's sketch forMarch appears in The Cosmopolitan and is on the late President Harrison. It will be read with wide interest by both the opponents and friends of that statesman.

Variety and excellence are both noticeable in the March Era. "Something to interest everybody; everything to interest somebody" seems to be the motto. Of Joel Chandler Harris's story, "Gabriel Tolliver" (which was commenced in the January number), there appears the third installment. By this story Mr. Harris is adding to his reputation.

The world has always judged pretty harshly the union of George Eliot and George Henry Lewes; not for itself, but for its influence upon others. The early life of George Eliot and the nature of her intimacy with Mr. Lewes and the strong personality of each are feelingly discussed in the March Delineator by Clara E. Laughlin in her series on Authors' Loves. Certainly George Eliot's four and twenty years of life with Lewes were idyllic, full of earnest purpose and unremitting labor and crowned with a perfection of mutual understanding and helpfulness. Mr. Lewes first encouraged her to write fiction and her success proved his wisdom; her novel bears ample testimony to this. The article is accompanied by some rare illustrations.

The Woman's Home Companion for March reproduces on its front cover Arthur J. Elsley's painting "Forbidden Ground." Captain Joseph Hamilton contributes an illustrated article on "Clara Barton at Fredericksburg." The department features, as usual, are filled with valuable and interesting matter.

The Century for March contains two features in the field of popular science, either one of which would give distinction to a number of the magazine—an authoritative record of Marconi's recent work by P. T. McGrath, with a prefatory note by Mr. Marconi authenticating the paper, and a popular article by Dr. Albert P. Mathews, entitled "The Nature of the Nerve Impulse," setting forth the details of the writer's investigations, the recent announcement of which has stimulated public interest and curiosity.

In President Gilman's reminiscences in the March Scribner's, he tells the story of how George Peabody, the great philanthropist, turned the attention of Johns Hopkins toward the delights of giving.

There is an unusual amount of interesting discussion of varied educational matters, and comment upon striking personalities in the educational field, in The World's Work for March. A number of editorials touch upon educational topics. Longer articles that will attract college and school people are Prof. Hill's description of the American Desert, Dr. See's story of an Astronomer's Night's Work, Theodore Water's article about Prof. Hallock's experiments with the earth's interior heat.

ADDITIONAL CHURCHES.

MEMORIAL BAPTIST.

This month is a very busy one. Sunday, March 2nd, was Memorial Church Day, a day which we annually celebrate. The pastor gave a sermon on 'The Message to the Churches," with its relation to the outlook in our own church. In the evening addresses were made by officers of the various societies and of the Bible school.

The Mite Box Opening of the young people's missionary societies, was held March 9th, with an interesting program of music and recitations.

On March 30th, the Sunday-school will give an Easter concert under the direction of our new superintendent, Mr. W. O. Shelley.

Her many friends will be glad to know that Miss Delia McKinney is soon to be out of quarantine after a siege of scarlet fever.

The Pastor's Aid Society gave a "rubber social" two weeks ago, which was well attended and much enjoyed.

Tuesday evening, March 11th, the King's Daughters give a reception to the nurses at the Hartford Hospital, at the home of the pastor and his wife.

Mrs. Mackenzie has filled the position of organist since the illness of Mrs. Baldwin. We are glad to know that Mrs. Baldwin is better once more.

NEWINGTON CONGREGATIONAL.

There was no service Feb. 23rd, on account of the snow drifts, the roads being impassable.

Communion was observed March 2nd. Miss Julia Elwin joined by letter from the Congregational church in Salem, Mass.

Rev. Mr. May exchanged with Dr. Hall of New Britain, Sunday evening, March 9th. Dr. Hall talked on Christian Endeavor.

Mr. Alfred Fish, Miss Celeste Lyon and Miss Lizzie Root are preparing the children's program for Easter.

Mr. Herbert Bridgewater has gone to Derby to work.

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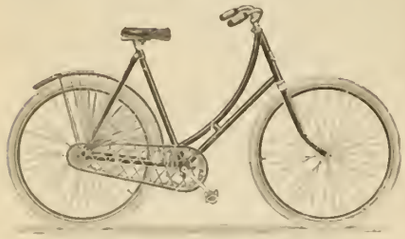

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LITERARY DEPARTMENT

(Magazine Notices page 18.)

When a Witch is Young. By "4-19-69." 442 pages, 12 mo. New York: R. F. Fenno & Co. Price $1.50.

A historical novel—but there is a certain freshness and action in the plot which redeems the book.

The scene is laid in Boston in the time of the witch-craft delusions. The story of the pitiable credulity and superstitions of that period is one full of dramatic possibilities. The author has realized this and made the most of such opportunities and has introduced a love story of more than ordinary interest and tenderness.

Our Devoted Friend, the Dog. By Sarah K. Bolton. 445 pages, 12 mo. Boston: L. C. Page & Co. Price $1.50.

Mrs. Bolton is versatile, indeed. She is best known for her "Girls Who Became Famous" and one hardly would expect a book of this nature, therefore, from her pen.

However, the stories of the dog and his friends are interesting indeed, and are well told. The practical hints on the care of canines of all species and of all moral natures are interspersed in an unobtrusive, but convincing, way.

The book supplements in a way Helen M. Winslow's recent book, "Concerning Cats" and is gotten up in much the same style. Perhaps a majority of cat lovers have a fondness for dogs also, which will make the volume necessary to their household as well as the other. Certainly there can be no dog lover who appreciates fine pictures and anecdotes of dogs but will value highly a copy of this book.

Scotland: Historic and Romantic. By Maria Hornor Lansdale. 2 vols., 398 and 464 pages, crown 8 vo. Philadelphia: Henry T. Coates & Co. Price $5.00.

The author appears to have made a personal study and survey of her ground It is not often that history is studied on the spot of its making, hence a work so conscientiously undertaken, and finished so well, deserves a certain credit aside from the actual result.

These two volumes form not merely a history, but a survey and a study of the people and the country. Stories of the people, the castles, the towns and the Kings, go to make up the text. The wars are described in their more picturesque lights as well as in the simple historic aspect.

Seldom is a work of the kind illustrated so sumptuously as this one. Numerous etchings, reproduced from photographs, give a tone and finish to the books which have seldom been excelled in contemporary book making. The binding is rich and heavily stamped, the typography beyond criticism and the text and illustrations excellent.

The Portion of Labor. By Mary E. Wilkins. 563 pages, 12 mo. New York: Harper & Bros. Price $1.50.

The story of Ellen Brewster, the daughter of a workingman in a New England manufacturing town. Her lovable character and her beauty cause her to make many friends. Two men become rivals for love of her—one a factory hand and the other a young man of wealth.

The conflicting temptations that beset her gives the author opportunity to set a picture of social and labor conditions before the reader, and to express her ideas of the business problems of the day.

It is an excellent story, carefully written and of value—one that will confirm the high commendation long since accorded Miss Wilkins' work.

Audrey. By Mary Johnston. 418 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Houghton, Mifflin & Co. Price $1.50.

Like its predecessors, "Prisoners of Hope" and "To Have and to Hold," this romance is a story of Virginia, though of a later period. "Audrey" has been running in the "Atlantic Monthly" and has been accorded high praise already and won numerous admirers.

"Audrey," is an orphan girl and a character of unusual vitality. Her life under the move of circumstances, in the environment of the noble mansions and the stately society of the James River region, brings out with force and vividness elements of a singularly beautiful nature.

The language and expression in many parts of the romance are beautiful and strong, beyond comparison with any contemporary novel.

One of the Colonel Byrds of Westover, and his daughter, Evelyn Byrd are typified in the book. The volume is excellently illustrated in color tints by Mr. F. C. Yohn.

ELGIN CATHEDRAL.

From "Scotland: Historic and Picturesque" Copyright, 1901, by H. T. Coates & Co.

Hester Blair. By William Henry Carson. 348 pages, 12 mo. Boston: C. M. Clark Publishing Co. Price $1.50. (Advance sheets.)

The publishers announce this as "the sweetest love story ever told." Publishers are liable to be over-eulogistic, but several critical readers confirm an opinion that the statement is not greatly overdrawn this time.

It is the story of a country girl who secretly marries the son of a wealthy man, the latter being opposed to the marriage. Through a series of mishaps, Hester is placed in a position of apparent disgrace, in which her loyalty and high sense of honor kept her to a silence which meant a continuing martyrdom for her.

Of course it ends well, but the interest is sustained up to the last moment.

Aphrodite. By Franklin Kent Gifford. 350 pages. 12 mo. Boston: Small, Maynard & Co. Price $1.50.

The story of the progress of an American artist from the humblest beginnings to the achievement of recognition and success is interwoven with a lo e-story of rar.e delicacy and beauty. The characters are real people whose actions are simple and nat ural. And yet with all the simplicity and reality of the story, which opens in a little village in Connecticut and has its chief action and culmination on the Tiber, there is a fine display of imaginative construction and execution. The story centres itself in an exquisite Aphrodite and in the artist's inspiration to the creation of his masterpiece.

The Valley of Decision. By Edith Wharton. 2 vols.. 340 and 312 pages, 12 mo. New York: Charles Scribner's Sons. Price $2.00.

This is the first long novel by a writer who has attained an enviable position within comparatively few years. The scene of the novel is in Italy, at the time when the small principalities which composed it were being disintegrated. This was near the beginning of the ninteenth century. The plot is rather involved and includes pictures of various features of Italian life, especially of the war upon the Jesuits and the consequental changes in religious belief.

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From "Other Worlds," D. Appleton & Co., Publishers.

Other Worlds. By Garrett P. Serviss. 282 pages, 12 mo. New York: D. Appleton & Co. Price $1.20.

In this book an effort is made to convey in a popular manner an idea of the general relations to each other and to the earth, of the suns, moons, stars and planets. If one does not already know what an asteroid is, or is uninformed as to the "canals" of Mars or the rings of Saturn, he may learn here while learning other important things as well. In fact the book is so distinctly readable and interesting that there is no excuse for ignorance on the part of those who can at all realize the desirability of a general knowledge of the more prominent astronomical subjects.

The volume contains some very interesting illustrations, one of which we reproduce on this page through the courtesy of the publishers.

First Steps in the History of Our Country. By Wm. A. Mowry and Arthur M. Mowry. 315 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Silver, Burdett & Co. Price 60 cents.

This is an elemental history for the earlier grades in grammar schools, its aims being to give the most vivid and lasting impressions and to make the pupil think.

The illustrations are original and attractive and in keeping with the tone of the text, which reads like a story and is as full of life and interest. About forty different distinguished personages of American history represent the respective heroes of the chapters.

Cassell's Illustrated History of the Boer War. By Richard Danes. 1560 pages, crown 8 vo. New York: Cassell & Co. Price $3.00.

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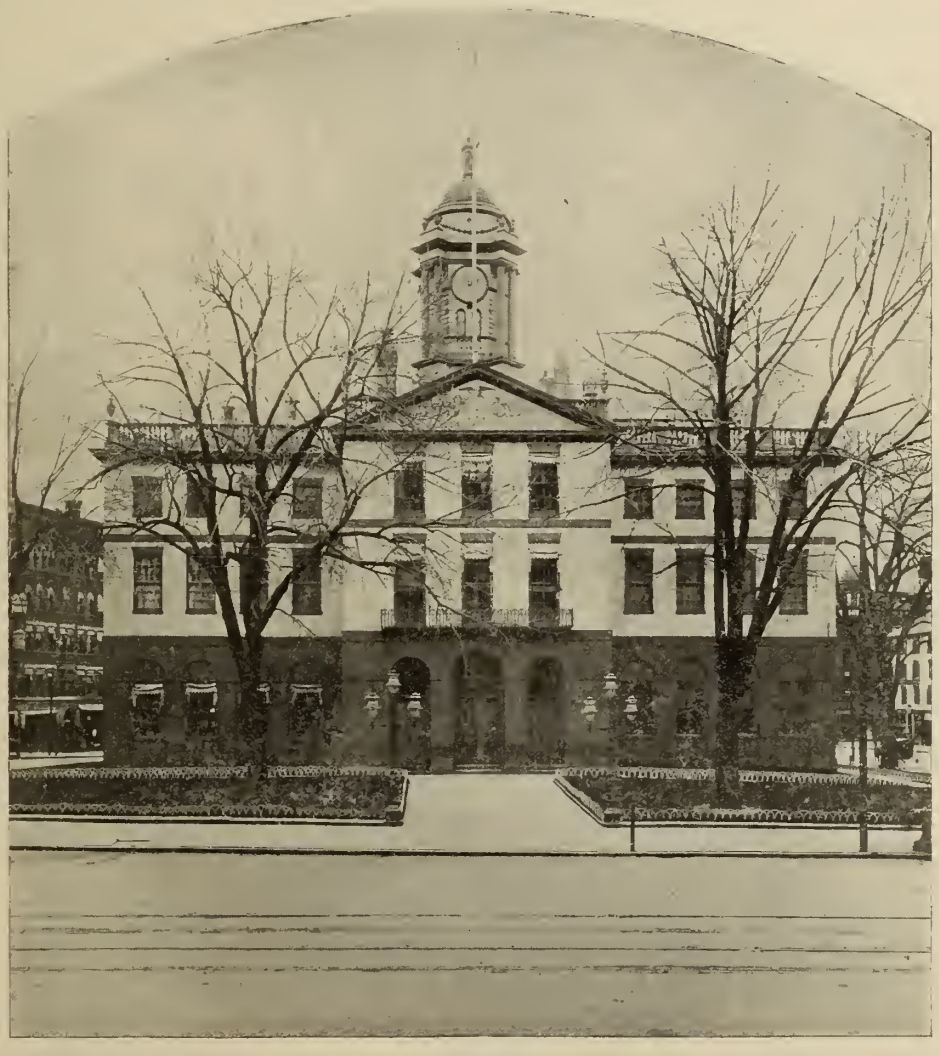

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for Dividends	62,379,708.56	
A total returned to policy-holders or their beneficiaries, being 98.86 per cent. of the entire premiums received		$214,279,820.43
It has paid for Expenses, 9.13 per cent. of its income	28,911,657.70	
Taxes	10,804,028.28	
Total expenditures		253,995,506.41
Balance net assets, Jan. 1, '02,		$62,649,582.92
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By Margaret E. Sangster.

If the Lord should come in the morning
As I went about my work,
The little things and the quiet things
That a servant cannot shirk,
Though nobody ever sees them,
And only the dear Lord cares
That they always are done in the light of the sun,
Would He take me unawares?

If my Lord should come at noonday,
The time of the dust and heat,
When the glare is white and the air is still
And the hoof beats sound in the street;
If my dear Lord came at noonday,
And smiled in my tired eyes,
Would it not be sweet His look to meet?
Would he take me by surprise?

If my Lord came hither by evening,
In the fragrant dew and dusk,
When the world drops off its mantle
Of daylight like a husk,
And flowers in wonderful beauty,
And we fold our hands and rest,
Would His touch of my hand, His low command,
Bring me unhoped-for zest?

Why do I ask and question?
He is ever coming to me,
Morning and noon and evening,
If I have but eyes to see.
And the daily load grows lighter,
The daily cares grow sweet,
For the Master is near, the Master is here,
I have only to sit at His feet.

—Sunday School Times.

GETTING OUT OF DOORS.

By Rev. John Coleman Adams, D. D.

There is no book in the world so fresh with the breath of outdoor life as the Bible. Nor is there any part of the Bible so full of the air of nature as the gospels. The Saviour's steps are ever "by the seaside" and "up into a mountain" and "into a desert place apart." His talk is full of the "lilies of the field," "the fowls of the air," the sower who scattered afield, the laborers in the vineyard, the sheep on the hillsides, the fish in the clear waters of the lakes. There is something wholesome and sweet and refreshing about this scenery of the gospel story, this background of the great spiritual drama of the life of Christ. And it is easy to feel in all this play of sunshine and open air an invitation, urgent and impressive, to live more and learn more in the open field and under the blue sky.

For the healthiest and the noblest living is always that which is fullest of outdoor life. The body and the soul of man were not made to be shut up in walls, stifled under roofs, roasted in hot rooms. Thought has freer course the heart expands to larger measures, when the lungs breathe the open air and the eye roves over wide horizons, and the fragrance of flowers and grasses and forest trees is in the nostrils. So as fast as our civilization walls us up in towns and in cities, our natures ought to find some way to pass the barriers and live closer to the soil and the sea. Everytime that the abundant life of the spring surges up all about us, we have the same divine hint as was given us in the daily life of Jesus, to come out of our artificial shelters and to live in the open air.

Our bodies need this antidote to civilization. We are, most of us, too closely tied to our upholstery and our cooking, our spring beds and our sumptuous bills of fare. We lack the endurance, the elasticity, the freshness supplied nowhere but from the reservoirs of the open air. The welfare of our bodies demands a touch of outdoor nature, and the oftener that touch is applied the better for us all. That man is the best man physically who adds to nerves and perceptions quickened and made flexible by the culture of the city, muscles and organs whose powers have been enlarged to the dimensions of the field, the hill, the river and the sea. To be sure, the invalid is the better for being able to sit where the sunbeams fall and drink in deep breaths of air laden with the balsam of the pine or the perfume of the newly fallen hay. But best of all is the physical life of the man or woman who can measure a sound body against the outdoor world and master it. He who cannot climb or walk or ride or row is still confined to his room, though nominally out of doors.

But we need do more than use nature carnally. The man who goes outdoors for his own good gets but a pitiful fraction of what he is after if he does not take his mind with him. He needs his perceptions, his memory, his wit, his reason, or he will come back with poor spoil. Air is good for the lungs, but he misses its best uses who is not led by the quicker pulse it gives his heart and the clearer vision it gives to his eyes, to do better thinking. Sunshine is good for the body, but a sun bath which does not impart new vitality to the imagination is only half effectual. The stroll by the river, the cruise along shore, the tramp

through the forest are immeasurably delightful; but if one carries there only the thonghts of the city, the slang of the streets or the tastes of the clubhouse, he does not benefit by his outing. Such a getting close to nature leaves him still an exile from her heart and soul. So a man has need to take his own heart and soul with him when he goes out of doors.

Let him, for one thing, seek intellectnal enlargement there. Let him do with his own brain what the great astronomer did with his when he cried: 'Oh, God, I think Thy thoughts after Thee!" Let him learn to look at the wonders of this world face to face and learn something of God's method, however meager, from the flower and the pebble, from the bird in his flight and the chattering squirrel. It is all very well to read the books in which all this first hand knowledge is gathered and digested. But the real thrill of the intelligence which feels its nearness to the Maker and Fashioner of all things can hardly come to any mind save the one which follows Him in His work, as He uncurls the ferns and unfolds the blossoms and rounds out the seeds in their pods.

How much we all stand in need of such knowledge, even for our selfish, material welfare, is made clear to us when we remember the devastations we are suffering from and the worse that threaten ns, through our greed on the one hand and our ignorance of natnre's ways on the other. If we understood the relations of our rivers and streams to the forests and the mountains, and realized that to strip the hillsides of their leafy mantles is to dry up the waters in their channels. we should, long before this, have called a halt to the ruthless woodcutters and forest destroyers. If we were not densely and stupidly ignorant of that nice balance which God has preserved between the birds and the insects, we should all of ns be in arms against a wicked fashion which demands the wholesale slaughter of the birds, and so, indirectly, ordains the growth of devastating bugs and worms, to fatten on the farmer's crops, and to raise the price of wheat and apples and potatoes. The timely alarms which are sounded, and which perhaps may save us from the harm of our ignorant mischief, have come from the people who know the outdoor world, and what is going on there. And much need is there that their number shall be increased.

But we need the life with nature and near to her outdoor phases for the sake of the great spiritual uplift which they afford. To be near to nature is to be near to natnre's God. It was not an accident of the moral world that He who was one with the Father was so close to the FatEer's works. The pure heart walking in the open air and fair fields of the outdoor world comes into closest touch with the infinite life. The trne appreciation of nature means at last the recognition of God. The men of science are coming back to the old faith in the One Will which made the heavens and the earth. The new science is more reverent, more spiritual, more devout than the old. That should be the fruit of all real intercourse with nature, all true outdoor life.

But let us remember that such a result comes only from a real contact with the outdoor world, a real love of nature, and not from any mere affectation thereof. There is a large class of people who love nature, or think they do, simply as a field or a background for their sports or their amusements. That is not a true love. There is too much of this pretense at a fondness for nature, which only means a love of out-door sports. But it is easy to detect the counterfeit. It is amusing when it is put forward as a reaI love of nature, but when, as is often the case, it is sanctimoniously talked about as "worshipping God in the fields," or "looking through nature up to nature's God," such a fraud becomes rank blasphemy.

There is a passage in the Old Testament which in the ears of the nature-lover sounds as sweetly as the gurgle of brooks, or the rustle of leaves, or the piping of the early frogs in spring. It is that strain in the Song of Songs which runs: "For lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone; the flowers appear in the earth, the time of the singing of birds is come, and the voice of the turtle is heard in our land: the fig-tree putteth forth her green figs, and the vines with the tender grape give a good smell " Happy the heart in which those words awaken an echo of memory and of desire, and which yearns, even from the ctiy pavements, for the bliss of the country. For to be able to enter into and enjoy the things God hath prepare1 for them that love His great out door world, is to be numbered with the elect.

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Early in February, the vestry of the Church of the Good Shepherd extended a call to its rectorship to Rev. George T. Linsley, of Newtown, Conn.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

Rev. Mr. Linsley accepted the call and took charge of the parish on Sunday, March 16th, succeeding the late rector, Rev. Cornelius G. Bristol.

His departure from Trinity parish, Newtown, where he had labored for the past twelve years, was greatly regretted by his parishioners and friends from other churches, who held him in high esteem. His social relations with all who knew him were very pleasant and he made many friends. He took a lively interest in town affairs and held positions of trust.

He comes to Hartford with the desire to work for the best interests of the parish and asked in his first sermon the co-operation of all members,

that they might work together for the good and uplifting of the parish and the city at large.

His preaching is clear and forceful, and he stands high in the ministry of the Episcopal Church in Connecticut.

He was associated with the late Rev. C. G. Bristol at Berkeley Divinity School and was a warm friend of his.

Rev. Mr. Linsley is a native of New Haven, and received his education in the public schools of that city. He was graduated from the Hillhouse

REV. GEORGE T. LINSLEY

High School in the class of 1882 and from the academic department at Yale in 1885, receiving the degree of B. A. He then took the theological course at the Berkeley Divinity School, under the late Bishop Williams. In the summer of 1885, he was a licensed lay-reader in the Diocese of Vermont, and in 1887, worked during the four months of the summer vacation under Bishop Hare in South Dakota.

Completing his course at Berkeley in 1888, he was ordained a deacon on May 30th and advanced to priest's orders on May 31st, 1889.

The first year and a half of his ministry was spent in charge of the mission station in the town of Greenwich, including Calvary Church, Round Hill, Emanuel Church, Glenville and St. John's Chapel, Byram, under the oversight of the late Rev. Dr. William Tatlock, archdeacon of Fairfield. He also did occasional work under Dr. Tatlock in his parish of St. John's in Stamford.

In December, 1889, Mr. Linsley was unanimously called to the rectorshp of Trinity Church, Newtown, and entered upon his duties there on February 6, 1890, where he has remained until the present time. During the past five years he has been secretary of the Fairfield Archdeaconry, and since June, 1898, he has been a member of the standing committee of the Diocese of Connecticut.

In January, 1895, Mr. Linsley married Miss Mary Renshaw Chauncey, daughter of the late Rev. P. S. Chauncey, at one time rector of Christ Church, this city.

ABOUT THE STREETS OF CHARLESTON.

"If you go to the market-house you may see some 'Charleston canaries,'" said Mr. Mumma, one morning, during our visit to Charleston, South Carolina.

A rather pretentious old building, in temple form, is Market Hall, standing on a high open basement and ornamented with bull's heads. The hall is now used by the Daughters of the Confederacy as a museum room, and an interesting museum it is—tattered gray garments, battered guns, musty military orders in the handwriting of famous Confederate generals, and a great variety of objects reminding one of the horrors of war.

The markets are in the rear of this building, in a row of low sheds, extending through two squares. Here market people of different nationalities display their provisions. In the vegetable stalls we noticed small bunches of onions, turnips, carrots and leek tied together. "Soup bunches" they were called, and sold for five cents a bunch.

Just outside the market sheds we saw a "Charleston canary," or, as the bird is also facetiously called, a Charleston eagle." It was a buzzard. There is a large colony of these birds which regularly visit the market place and eat up the refuse thrown in the streets by the meat venders. They are protected by a municipal law, and any person molesting one of these "canaries" is fined. They are quite large, and are black and lustrous as crows, but have white legs. They have peculiar bare, brown, wrinkled necks, and their ungainly, stiff-legged, bobbing walk makes one smile. When starting to fly they flap their long wings, the tips almost touching above, while their legs hang straight down.

I tried to get a photograph of these canaries, but twice when I went with the camera none were to be seen. Once it was too early, as a policeman informed me. "They know the market hours as well as the people," he said "It's curious 'bout them birds. Up the country, whar they stay, when a beast is daid, they won't touch it until the king bird comes an' picks out his

Moving Day.

A Corner in St. Philip's Cemetery.

eyes, then they pitch in an' eats al they want." These birds are city scavengers, and are very useful.

Old Graveyards.

One does not wander far through the streets of Charleston without coming upon old cemeteries. They surround the historic old churches. In St. Michael's Cemetery is the tomb of Robert Y. Hayne, whose speech and the memorable reply of Webster have been read by all the schoolboys of my generation.

An interesting freak in the tombstone line is the mark set up in memory of ' Mary Ann Luyten, Wife of William Luyten; Died Sept. 9, 1770, in the 27th year of her Age." This inscription is carved on the wooden headboard of a bedstead, which is now moss covered and partly decayed. A wire screen protects it from vandals.

In St. Philip's Cemetery I got a picture of John C. Calhoun's mausoleum. A corner in this cemetery is shown in an accompanying picture. It is characteristic. In the foreground is the palmetto, partially screening the old-fashioned tombstones, and in the background are live oak trees and a glimpse of the negro quarters belonging to a house which does not appear in the picture. Before the war these were the slave quarters. The marble shaft in the picture marks the resting-place of the first governor of South Carolina, his private and public virtues being set forth on the marble in stately English. The stone was overthrown during the great earthquake in 1886, but has been set up again.

The Joggling Board.

From the somber abode of the dead —the dead of long ago, for the deceased Charlestonians of recent engerations sleep in beautiful Magnolia Cemetery—we turn to the home of the living, to be met by a gracious Southern woman. On the long piazza of this home was an article of furniture that aroused our Yankee inquisitiveness. It consisted of two substantial frames with low rockers supporting a long board, the ends of the board being inserted loosely in the frames. The picture describes it better than words. It is called a "joggling board," an institution peculiar to the long piazzas of the South. Seated on this board, you can rock it lengthwise or joggle up and down to the limit of the springiness of the board. Children amuse themselves swinging on it, and it is said that it is a favorite place for lovers on moonlight evenings to enjoy the soft Southern air. The persons in the picture are showing its most prosaic use.

Old Portraits.

The City Hall is a place of interest, its chief attraction to visitors being the portraits and busts of historic personages which adorn the walls of the

The Joggling Board on a Southern Piazza.

portrait of Washington, by Trumbull, council chamber. Here is a full-length painted shortly after the General's visit to Charleston in 1791. Jackson's portrait was painted soon after the battle of New Orleans. Calhoun is represented as addressing the United States Senate. Among the statuary are busts of Robert Y. Hayne, of Petigru, South Carolina's famous jurist, of Robert Fulton, father of steam navigation, and others.

I was interested in a case containing the sword of General Beauregard. The following extract from the General's will is found with the sword: "I give to the city of Charleston, South Carolina, if acceptable to it, the sword which was presented to me by some ladies of New Orleans, in 1861, for the capture of Ft. Sumpter."

HARTFORD BAPTIST UNION.

The annual business meeting and banquet of the Hartford Baptist Union, was held in the South Baptist church Wednesday evening, April 9th. A committee of ladies from the churches of the Union had the banquet in charge, and they are entitled to generous praise for the success of this feature of the evening. Nearly three hundred were seated at the tables, although at the appointed hour the rain was falling in torrents, as on the occasion of the last banquet.

After the supper the president of the Union, Charles Edward Prior, reviewed the work of the year and of the ten years since the Union was organized, mentioning the principal events that have marked the progress of the work. He then introduced as the principal speaker of the evening, Rev. George H. Ferris, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, New Haven. Mr. Ferris is very popular in this city and his address on this occasion was well received. Interesting remarks were then made by Rev. George M. Stone, D. D., Rev. H. M. Thompson, Rev. Frank Dixon and Rev. Antonio Roca of the comparatively new Italian mission. There were twenty-five Italians present and they sang three gospel songs in their native tongue, under the leadership of Mr. Prior, who has had charge of the music in the Italian mission since it was established at 270 Windsor street. This proved to be one of the greatest successes of the evening.

There were solos by Mrs. Nellie Carey Reynolds, of the Park Church choir, and Mr. Charles Edward Prior, Jr., of the Center Church choir. Both of these singers were enthusiastically received.

It is the verdict of all that the influence of this gathering will result in a general uplift of the work of the Union, in the strengthening of the ties of fellowship, and in the intensifying of denominational loyalty and enthusiasm.

Hon. Jas. L. Howard, Hon. Carnot O. Spencer, Rev. H. M. Thompson and Fred W. Payne, the former presidents of the Union, were among the large number seated at the tables.

The following officers were unanimously elected for the ensuing year: President, Charles Edward Prior; vice-president, Luther C. Glazier; secretary, Wm. D. Johnson; treasurer, Lyman A. Wiley.

A Christian impatient for results, once asked Dr. Judson what the prospects were on his field. "The prospect is as bright as the promises of God " was the reply.

NEWINGTON CONGREGATIONAL.

The March of the Centuries was the title of the Easter concert. Nineteen centuries march in carrying flags, each denoting their century. The twentieth century marched in alone carrying the U. S. flag with a cross upon it.

The church was decorated with Eas-lilies and spirea, banked on one side of the pulpit, and palms and pink azaleas on the other.

The Ladies' Aid are planning a supper and social for April 17th, from 6 to 8.

Miss Stilson, of South Africa, gave a very interesting talk about her work among the Zulus. A collection was taken in the Sunday-school, also at the evening meeting, April 13th.

Two of our Sunday-school teachers Mr. and Mrs. Alfred B. Fisk, are to travel in California for the coming year.

Miss Bertha Robbins, another teacher, was recently married to Dr. Harry G. Wells, of Chicago.

SUFFIELD STREET BAPTIST.

The Easter exercises were enjoyed by the Sunday-school as usual this season. The attendance was 150. At the evening service Mr. Pattison preached. The special chorus choir music was exceptionally good, much credit is due them for their success.

We were exceedingly glad to see one of our young men come forward in baptism this Easter.

A music committee for the Sunday-school has been appointed as follows: Miss Estella Lay, Miss Estella Meacham and Miss Louise Adams.

At the last Y. P. S. C. E. business meeting, a special committee, called the "Press Committee," was appointed to attend to printing notices for the chapel in the Calendar and the Church Monthly. Miss Hattie Morse is chairman of this committee.

At the recent meeting of the Junior Superintendents of the Hartford C. E. Union, our Junior leader gained much help. All Junior leaders should attend such gatherings if possible. Many helpful thoughts were given along the lines of missionary work, temperance and work for the boys.

On Monday evening, April 14th, the Dorcas society gave a good supper to the Friendly Brothers, at the First Baptist church.

Sunday evening, April 13th, Mr. Fulton of the Seminary, gave a very interesting talk on Turkey, especially bringing out the wide difference between Mohammedanism and Christianity. The people of Turkey are bound by fate, they are taught to believe, while we, in America, are free to let Christ lead us, and the Christian religion push us as far toward the higher life as we are willing to go. Let us make the most of our opportunities.

WETHERSFIELD BAPTIST.

Easter service in our church was observed with special singing and by an appropriate sermon by the pastor. The decorations by flowers were excellent. Sunday evening, April 13th the churches all united at the Congregational church.

PARK CONGREGATIONAL.

On Sunday evening, March 23rd, the Endeavor Society listened to an address concerning the mission work at Morgan Street chapel.

On April 13th, "The Toronto Missionary Conference" was reported helpfully and enthusiastically by two Seminary students who were in attendance, Messrs. R. B. Dodge and C. A. Stanley, Jr.

A union Good Friday service was held at our church with the First and Second churches in attendance. The choir rendered Stainer's "The Crucifixion" and Prof. Waldo S. Pratt made an address in interpretation of the mu ic.

On Easter Sunday, at the Vesper service, the choir sang Mr. Camp's cantata, "The Prince of Life."

On the evening of April 1st, the ladies gave a supper upon the occasion of the selection of pews for the coming year.

On Easter morn, at 10.30, Clifford Grimley Reid and Alva Abrams Russell were baptized.

On April 6th, Mr. Maercklein returned to the position he occupied in our choir for ten years.

Dr. Simpson addressed the Park Church Club on April 6th.

On April 13th, the church observed the centennial celebration of the birth of Horace Bushnell. Dr. Munger of New Haven, preached the memorial sermon.

On Monday evening, April 14th, Mr. Camp gave a free organ recital at 8 o'clock.

On Friday evening, April 25th, the Sunday-school teachers will hold a meeting at Mrs. Russell's on Asylum avenue.

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH.

The Easter services were largely attended. Rev. F. D. Hoskins officiated at the 6.30 a. m. service and Mr. Warner at the 10.45 a. m. and 4 p. m. services, the latter being the Sunday-school service. Mr. R. H. Burton assisted at the two morning services.

Mr. Warner is much improved in health and received hearty greetings from parishioners and friends.

The music was well rendered, the church was prettily decorated with flowers, the offerings were generous and altogether it was a happy Easter for the people of St. Thomas' parish.

The annual Easter sale and supper was held in the parish house, April 2nd, afternoon and evening and was very well attended.

ST. PAUL'S METHODIST.

This church enters upon a new conference year with a new pastor, the Rev. W. M. Carr having been appointed to Prospect Ave. Church, New York, and being succeeded by the Rev. Burdette B. Brown.

An Old Folks Concert is planned by the Ladies' Aid Society, to be given during the month of May.

On Wednesday, May 14th, the New Haven District Epworth League will hold its annual convention in St. Paul's Church. Among the speakers who have already engaged to be present are Prof. William North Rice, of Wesleyan University; Dr. W. F. Anderson, of Ossining, N. Y.; and Dr. Henry Mansell, of India.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

Washington Commandery, No. 1, Knights Templars, attended St. John's Easter Sunday night, when a special sermon was preached them by the rector. Besides the Knights of the Masonic order, there was a very large attendance at the service, the galleries as well as the nave, being well filled.

The Lenten services were well attended and a spirit of devotion and interest was shown throughout the whole six weeks.

The confirmation lectures began the second Sunday in January and were kept up until the morning of Easter Day. In all, thirteen lectures were given the class of 29. Of these, eleven were considered to be sufficiently well prepared to receive the apostolic laying on of hands.

The Young Men's Guild held their Lenten service in the church Friday

evening, March 21, the preacher being the Rev. Dr. Lindsay Parker of St. Peter's, Brooklyn.

Mr. Arthur Shipman made the address to the Sunday-school at the Easter Carol service Easter Day afternoon.

Among the other activities in our parish during Lent, we had the good fortune to have the Lenten series of lectures under the auspices of the Seabury club in St. John's. Space does not permit our reviewing the six lectures which occurred on consecutive Tuesday evenings. The speakers were the Rev. Drs. Fiske, Frisby and Hart, Father Huntington and the Rev. Messrs. Bodley and Burgess.

ASYLUM HILL CONGREGATIONAL

The Rev. Charles E. Stowe conducted the services on Sunday, April 6th.

The Men's Class continues to be largely attended, the average attendance thus far having been 52. This class has gathered to itself some of the most prominent men in the congregation. Its sessions continue until May 4th, when they will close with an address on "Egoism and Altruism" by Judge Dwight Loomis.

The Mission Study Class, conducted by Mr Thurston of the Theological Seminary, has a good attendance and the members are thoroughly interested in their work. The subject considered April 7th, was "Work Among the Mormons." The one on April 14th was "Work Among the Mountaineers" (of the South). The meetings are held on Monday evenings, and any one is at liberty to attend. Topical research work is assigned by the leader and the reports on this work are limited to five minutes each.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, EAST HARTFORD.

Passion Tide services were held this year. They proved very interesting and were well attended. The pastor was assisted by Rev. Mr. Travis, of Kensington, and Prof. E. E. Nourse, of the Hartford Seminary. An excellent service was held Easter Sunday.

Miss Florence Bell from the Hartford Seminary, gave a most interesting talk to the Endeavor Society on the Students' Conference at Toronto, which was supplemented by the report of Miss Mabel Goodwin of our society, who was a delegate from Lasell.

Rev. Quincy Blakely, of South Glastonbury, exchanged pulpits with our pastor, April 6th.

The quarterly meeting of the Hartford C. E. Union will be held with our society, April 25th.

Active preparations for our Bi-centennial are being made, and a large chorus is being drilled for the occasion, under the direction of R. E. S. Olmsted.

SOUTH CONGREGATIONAL.

Easter services were, as usual, largely attended.

The young people's meeting, April 6th, was led by Mr. Hill, of the Seminary, who told us of the recent Student Volunteer Convention at Toronto. The following Sunday the pastor led, his subject being, "Giving." Both were extremely interesting meetings.

The Pastor's Aid Society gave its last social entertainment of the season in the chapel, April 11th.

FOURTH CONGREGATIONAL.

The Lenten season was observed by special services in our church. On three Sunday evenings the pastor preached a series of special sermons on "The Soul's Life." Upon four Wednesday evenings special sermons were given in the chapel by Rev. Mr. Potter, Prof. Jacobus, Rev. Edward Hawes and Rev. Robert Nourse. On Thursday evening of Passion Week, communion was celebrated. Good Friday, the "Service at the Cross" was held and consisted of meditations upon the seven words from the cross, together with congregational singing and a solo by Miss Weir. The following clergymen took part: Mr. Kelsey, Mr. Pattison, Prof. Geer, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Howell, Mr. Potter, Mr. Nourse.

Easter Sunday was a day of helpful services. In the morning the choir gave special music, while in the evening a special musical service was carried out, the chief number being a cantata, "Easter Evening and Morning." The Sunday-school had a choral service in which each department had a share.

At the musical service, March 9th, the choir gave Gounod's "Communion Service" entire.

At the teachers' tea, in March, Mr. Robert N. Fulton gave a very interesting lecture upon Jerusalem. At the tea in April, Miss Dougherty spoke upon "The Physical Side of Goodness."

At the Mother's meeting for March, Mr. Wilbur F. Gordy spoke upon the subject, 'How the Home may Help the School."

Mr. Benedict, our former musical director and organist, goes to the Tompkins Ave. Congregational Church in Brooklyn. During Mr. Benedict's term of service with us he has done much to strengthen the musical ministry of the church, and has raised the standard of the musical services. Under his direction a strong chorus has been organized, which is filling a large place in the work of our church.

The church has been very fortunate in securing as musical director and organist, Prof. J. Dykes Sleeper, recently of Worcester, where he has been organist at the Union church. Mr. Sleeper is also an instructor in Smith College. He is a graduate of the Hartford Theological Seminary.

The quartette for the coming year will be composed of Miss Clemantine Keagie, soprano; Miss Lillian Ross, alto; Mr. Hardy, tenor; Mr. Planehou, bass.

Begining with April 20th, Mr. Henry Varley, the English evangelist, will hold special meetings in the church.

On May 2nd, the Sunday-school will give an entertaiment called "The Haunts of Nature," under the direction of Mr. Edward F. Bigelow, the natural science editor of St. Nicholas Magazine.

It is expected that the new individual communion service will be ready for use at the May communion.

NEW BRITAIN AVE. MISSION.

Easter Sunday was observed by an Easter concert by the school assisted by an orchestra. Rev. Mr. Tregaskis of New Haven gave an address. He also preached the following Sunday evening.

Messrs. Fulton and Robb from the Seminary have been our speakers for the past month.

The Ladies' Aid Society gave its last supper of the season on April 4th. A phonographic entertainment followed, given by Mr. N. A. Sperry.

BLOOMFIELD METHODIST.

After a three years' pastorate here, Rev. H. S. Scarborough leaves this parish to go to the Ridley Memorial church of Brooklyn. Mr. Scarborough and his wife have been greatly enjoyed and he labored enthusiastically and with much energy. Their able work in all departments of the church, especially among the young people in the Sunday-school and Epworth League, will be greatly missed. Mr. Scarborough's sermons were greatly appreciated, and in the pulpit he was brilliant as a preacher, scholar and orator. The entire church bids them Godspeed in their new field.

Rev. J. H. Knott, our newly appointed pastor, delivered his first sermon Sunday, April 13th, and a good sized congregation greeted him. He gave a fine practical sermon on "God's Workmanship," which was much enjoyed. Mr. Knott comes from Guilford and Madison, at which places he

has preached for the past two years and was well liked there. He has a family of seven, which will undoubtedly be a great help to the church.

A number of choice selections in books has recently been added to the Sunday-school library, and it now contains a good number of splendid books of travel, history, adventure, nature, fiction, etc.

FIRST BAPTIST.

At the Easter morning service the balance of the church debt was raised by a successful call for pledges and contributions. At the same service a number of baptisms were made, a ceremony appropriate to the day.

The banquet of the Young Men's League was held April 9th, and an excellent program, provided by the entertainment committee, was thoroughly enjoyed by all, to say nothing of the banquet itself, which is always a popular feature.

The annual meeting of the Young People's Association was held March 25th. New officers were elected as follows: President, E. Lewis Upton; vice-president, Cassius Barstow; 2nd vice-pres., Miss Daisy Waghorn; sec., Charles H. Weldon.

A concert will be given Monday evening, April 21st, at 8 o'clock, in the chapel of the church by the Treble Clef quartette, assisted by Miss Clara M. Coe, reader, for the benefit of the H. I. E. Circle of the Kings' Daughters' work. Tickets can be secured of members of the Circle,or at the door.

UNITY CHURCH.

The annual meeting of the society was held on the evening of April 7th in the lower hall. The reports read showed the society to be in a prosperous condition. The officers and committees were re-elected, except that F. M. Mather was elected clerk to take the place of Mr. E. M. Cutting, who has left town. Mr. Bronson was re-elected trustee and Mr. Field chosen to suceed Mr. Cutting. Miss Emily Lane, Mr. F. H. Lane, Miss Mary Perry and Mr. Victor Morgan were admitted as members. A number of names were proposed for membership and several who have left the society were dropped from the roll.

The Sunday-school held a social on the evening of April 4th, from 5 to 8 o'clock, after which the annual business meeting was held. Reports were read showing an increase in new membership and in general interest. The following officers were elected: Supt., Mrs. Baker; treas., Mr. W. F. Young; librarian and secy., Mr. Preston; chorister, Mr. Wentworth.

The March social was held on the evening of the 20th.

Miss Rearden gave a whist party for her Sunday-school class at her home, No. 246 Collins street, on the evening of March 31st, over forty being present.

WETHERSFIELD CONGREGATIONAL.

April 13th, our pastor exchanged pulpits with Rev. D. D. Marsh, of Wethersfield Ave. Congregational church.

A union service was held in the evening, under the auspices of the W. C. T. U., and an address given by Mr. Spooner on "Christian Citizenship."

Our Sunday-school is supporting two orphan children in Armenia.

Fifty dollars was netted by the Ladies' Aid Society from the play, "Scenes from Cranford."

FIRST METHODIST.

At the New York East Conference, held at Torrington the first week of this month, the Rev. Charles W. McCormick, D. D., was appointed to fill our pulpit for the coming year. Dr. McCormick had previously presided as princial of the Hackettstown, N. J., Seminary.

Dr. Blake accepted a call to Christ church in Pittsburg. He leaves many friends behind him here who will greatly miss him.

Dr. McCormick preached his first sermons at the morning and evening services Sunday, April 13th. He was very well received.

On April 6th, the Rev. Mr. Schoonhaven, of the New York East Conference, supplied our pulpit. His words were profitable and full of interest to everyone.

In the near future a reception will probably be tendered Dr. McCormick and his family.

ASYLUM AVE. BAPTIST.

We observed Easter with a special program of music and exercises. In place of the regular lesson in the Sunday-school room exercises were given by the primary class in the church, following the sermon, and all were invited to remain. It was a beautiful sight as the little children marched up the broad aisle to the music of the piano and took their places on the platform, completely filling it. One could not help thinking of the words of our Saviour, who said, "Suffer little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of Heaven."

We are pleased to welcome Deacon Hulburt and wife who have become members of this church.

WINDSOR AVE. CONGREGATIONAL.

Our pastor, Rev. H. E. Peabody, has returned from his Southern trip greatly improved in health. He occupied the pulpit last Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Peabody will be at home to the members of the congregation and their friends, Wednesday afternoons from 4 to 6.

Dicken's Mutual Friend was presented April 11th, by the young people of the church. The entertainment was under the auspices of the Christian Endeavor Society, and was a decided success.

Vesper services, which have been omitted during the illness of the pastor, are to be resumed Sunday, April 20th. The new choir began work Sunday, April 13th.

Pansy plants were given to each child in the primary department of the Sunday-school on Easter Sunday. They were provided by the Whatsoever Circle of King's Daughters.

SOUTH PARK METHODIST.

The new pastor, Rev. James A. Macmillan, preached both morning and evening, Sunday, April 13th, and received a hearty welcome.

Mr. W. E. Jennings has been appointed superintendent of the Sunday-school, in place of Mr. H. E. Parkhurst, who is compelled by reason of ill health to take a much needed rest.

Mr. E. B. Benedict has been engaged as organist for the present year also the following quartette: Mrs. P. H. Ober, soprano; Mrs. Grace F. Melberger, contralto; Ralph E. McCausland, tenor; Charles A. Zipp, Jr., bass.

The Rev. Mr. Murkett of Jewett City preached both morning and evening on Sunday, April 6th.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL.

The third of the special courses offered by the Sunday-school began Apr. 6th and will continue each Sunday for two months. This course "Why did Men Accept Christianity" will be given by Prof. Gillett. All are invited to enjoy these lectures.

Friday, April 11th, the Mission Circle gave an entertainment for the benefit of Miss Gilson's school, Mt. Silinda, East Central Africa. The audience enjoyed some fine selections by the Hartford High School Mandolin Club.

The offering next Sunday will be for the McAll Mission.

The minister will usually be at the parsonage from 12 to 1 o'clock each week day, except Monday.

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THE GAMBLING EVIL.

If reports are not greatly exaggerated, there is spreading rapidly a mania for gambling and it is prevalent among those high and low in the social sphere.

It is by no means confined to those dens which are by law prohibited, and by some of the servants of the law suppressed, here and there. It is becoming to a dangerous extent the pastime of idle society women and men and has come to be quite the fashion, so to speak, in certain exclusive (!) circles.

On an extremely large scale we see it carried on in our stock exchanges. Not that there is not such a thing as honorable and honest stock dealing, but a very large volume of our stock transactions each day are essentially and actually gambling.

The appeal to chance has a certain fascination for nearly every one, and the desire to secure something for nothing is easily acquired. The fascination of it grows steadily until it becomes the ruling passion in the life of its votaries, often resulting in their irretrievable ruin.

The State recognizes the pernicious influence both from a moral and economic standpoint. Gamblers are nonproducers and the State is the poorer for every one of them. Yet there are some forms of gambling which state laws can hardly reach and many more which it cannot touch. Daily we hear of men, many of them young and from the best families, headed for our penitentiaries because the funds within their reach, often of some sacred trust, have been lost in gaming at table or stock exchange.

It's time to raise a hue and cry against this danger to society, or it will become our greatest national vice. It's time to call it by its right name wherever we see it, even in church fairs. It's time that its votaries were ostracized from decent society though they can give the finest parties with their ill gotten gains. It's time for the church to cry---Halt!

OTHER VIEWS ON MODERN WARFARE.

Our recently expressed views on "Modern Warfare" in these columns, were somewhat radical for a religious journal, but according to the "Advocate of Peace," did not go quite far enough into the question. The Advocate's editor takes up the matter as follows:

"The editor of the Hartford Church Review, in a finely conceived editorial in the January number of his paper, says that "with our traditions, our love of country, our patriotism, too, which is sometimes so strangely warped, it is hard to take an absolutely unprejudiced view of what we know as modern warfare!" He then asks: "Is there, however, anything under the sun so astounding and awful as the method by which the nations of the earth settle their disputes in this nineteen hundred and second year of our Lord Jesus Christ?" The interrogation goes straight to the centre of the matter except in one particular. Instead of "settle their disputes" he might more appropriately have written "keep up and aggravate and create disputes." The governments of the great nations can scarcely be said any longer even to attempt to settle their controversies by war. They talk about it, worry about it, fear it, make infinite preparations for it, but they no longer fight except against puny nations, from which there is nothing to fear. They settle their real differences with one another by negotiation or arbitration, or let them go unsettled, as in the case of the Alaska boundary dispute, and then fool their citizens into support of their monstrous war preparations by concocting imaginary differences and by the loud pretense that war is forever just ready to fall upon them from some quarter or other. This, however, only adds to the astounding character of the facts, as they would be recorded in his book entitled "My Impressions of the Earth," by The Review's supposed visitor, fresh from the planet Mars. It is difficult sometimes to accept the theory that it is traditions and the prejudices of education which make it hard to take an impartial view of modern warfare. It would seem that any person with only a modicum of intelligence and of moral freedom ought to see and realize the amazing folly and iniquity of it, in spite of the traditions and prejudices among which he has grown up."

Miss Christine Tenling, of London, recently addressed a meeting of the W. C. T. U., at Washington, at which she drew an appalling picture of the prevalence of intemperance among the women of her country. "English women," she said, "are drinking far more than they used to, and by the statistics culled from British death reports it is seen that women are going to the bad from alcoholism faster and in greater proportion than men." She said that the granting of licenses to grocers had led to wide-spread drinking by women of the middle and upper classes, that it was claimed that it would lead to a greater consumption of light wines, but that the reverse had been the result. That women of the upper classes had bought strong liquors which they drank themselves, and to deceive their husbands they had them charged on the grocers' accounts as candy and confections.

Speaking of the English bar-maids, she said that there were 12,000 of them employed in England alone, that they were mostly the daughters of clergymen, army officers and merchants, that they were compelled to work from sixteen to eighteen hours a day and that their health was generally undermined from over-fatigue and the inhalation of alcohol.

She said further, that the English children were educated in the taste for liquor by the sale of sweetmeats known as "booze-sweeties" which were various confections flavored with rum and other liquors.

The First Methodist church was suddenly called upon the past month to part with its pastor, Rev. Edwin A. Blake, who accepted a call to Pittsburg. His place was promptly filled by the appointment of Rev. C. W. McCormick, from Hackettstown, N. J. The Church Review bids Godspeed to its retiring Associate Editor, Dr. Blake, and extends a hearty welcome to Dr. McCormick.

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AN APRIL MEMORY.

By Charles Edward Prior.

A tiny babe came to our home one sunny April day,
And all our hearts' affections gave her welcome,—bade her stay.

Her eyes were blue, her cheeks were fair, and love enwrapped her 'round;
How pure she seemed and how we feared the woes that here abound!

God's eye beheld, and while we feared he whispered to her soul
"Come unto me and be at rest, while endless ages roll."

She heard and left us, and our lives can never be the same;
Our hearts are tenderer than they were before our baby came.

Now when skies frown, when winds are fierce and dreary seems the road,
We bless our Father that she dwells in his divine abode.

WARBURTON CHAPEL.

The work at the chapel centers in the Sunday-school. Our enrollment April 6th, was 227, an increase of 21 during the past three months.

On Easter Sunday nine scholars were promoted from the Primary to the Intermediate department, and to each was given a Bible and certificate of promotion.

On April 6th we had the pleasure of introducing five new teachers to classes, two for new classes in the Primary room and three for new classes of the Intermediate department.

The Easter service was much enjoyed. A selected choir gave the cantata, "Mary of Bethany." Two children were baptized.

An Easter Sunday-school concert was given in the evening, and at its close the flowers and plants which had been used as decorations were distributed to those present and sent to the sick friends.

On the evening of March 25th, in place of their regular meeting, the teachers planned a surprise for the superintendent and his wife to celebrate their sixth wedding anniversary. Rev. and Mrs. Potter, Rev. and Mrs. Talmadge, Mr. D. R. Howe, with the teachers and officers of the school, made a company of forty-five who sat down for supper together at the usual hour. The tables arranged in the form of a cross were beautifully decorated with candelabra, flowers and smilax. At the meeting following the supper, short addresses were made by Mr. D. R. Howe and Rev. E. F. Talmadge, and the remainder of the evening was spent in a social. Silver tea and coffee pots, of colonial style, were presented to Mr. and Mrs. Phelps by Mr. Davis, on behalf of the teachers and officers.

The Kindergarten reopened April 7th after a vacation of two weeks.

Anna Pedersen and Theodore Nelsen, two of our scholars who had been sick with scarlet fever, have recovered and we hope to see them with us again next Sunday.

The chapel drinking fountain was started for the season on Good Friday.

SHELTER FOR WOMEN.

Our work is growing in interest and many precious ones are being reached through our Home. We have had seventeen girls and ten lodgers in the past month and situations have been found for a number of them. Quite a number of the former members of our family have been in to see us; it is like coming home to them and we are always glad to make them welcome.

Our Easter service was bright and attractive and glowing testimonies were given to the power of God in saving them. Our room was crowded and much interest manifested.

The Clothing Bureau is quite a success, and many worthy people from different parts of the city are helped there. Good reading is circulated through the Bureau and we believe much good is done in that way.

We were very glad to have the East Side workers hold their meeting with us recently. Warburton Chapel, Union for Home Home Work, Morgan Street Sunday-school and the Social Settlement were represented, also the Y. W. C. A. This meeting is held every month and is quite helpful to the workers. We expect to hold our next meeting at the Social Settlement.

We are very glad to welcome any one interested in our work at any time.

WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

The Union is pleased to report that the services have been secured of Miss Annie Robbins, of St. Louis, for eighteen months chief army nurse in one of the government hospitals of Manilla, who will speak at Unity Hall, on Tuesday afternoon, April 22nd, in connection with the aunual "Free Will Offering" meeting of the Union. The County Convention will be held in New Britain, April 30th.

An exchange says: "Saloon men claim that the abolition of the canteen means a loss of at least $2,000,000 annually to the trade and yet the canteen was considered by some to be a "bad temperance measure."

WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

The lunch room has been enlarged and now, in place of the tea, coffee and chocolate that was served previously, a regular lunch can be obtained at moderate price. The attendance at the noon hour is steadily increasing. Many applications are made at the rooms for boarding places in private families, and it would be a great convenience if any families who have rooms to rent would register at 52 Church street.

The U. S. Club of the Girl's Branch at their April meeting, held a very interesting debate on the subject, "Resolved: That Washington was a greater man than Lincoln." The decision was in favor of the affirmative.

A sewing class, composed of seven little girls from the Brownie Club, held their closiug meeting, April 8th. The meeting took the form of a tea party, and each girl wore a white apron, which she had made in the class. Mrs. Nairn furnished refreshments and the children went home with pleasant memories of the hours they had spent together.

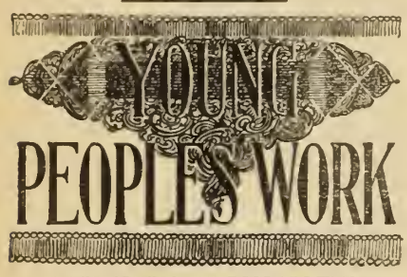
The Monday Night Embroidery Club were entertained by their teachers, Miss Bond and Miss Stevens, on the evening of March 31st, and closed their years' work with a fudge party.

Several young men from the Bible Normal College have taken classes in the Girl's Club, thereby making it possible to continue the work some weeks longer. The average attendance during the past month has been 23.

CONGRESS OF MOTHERS.

The Connecticnt Congress of Mothers met in Jewell Hall Wednesday, April 16th. The Motherhood Clnb of this city, which has grown to be a sonrce of much earnest work, entertained the congress, and the day proved to be one of much social pleasnre as well as of profit and thonghtfnlness. At the afternoon session Dr. J. W. Seaver, of Yale spoke on "The Hygiene of Childhood." David Willard, the founder and principal of the Tombs Prison School of New York city, spoke on "Probation Work in New York City." He is a young man of wealth and is devoting his life and fortnne to the reformation of criminal youths. The snperintendent of the public schools of Middletown gave an address on "The Necessity of Co-operation Between the Schools and the Homes."

Curtis & Johnson, architects, have removed their office to 26 State street, Room 8, (United States Hotel Building.)



HARTFORD UNION NOTES.

The directors of the Union held a bnsiness meeting at the Farmington Ave. Congregational church, Tuesday, April 1st. Supper preceded the session.

The semi-annnal meeting of the Union will be held Friday evening, April 25th, at 7.45, with the East Hartford Congregational church Y. P. S. C. E. A very able and interesting speaker will address the meeting, in the person of Rev. Geo. Foster Prentiss, president of New Haven C. E. Union, who will speak on "Practical Christianity." Let every Endeavorer make it his or her especial duty to attend and ask all yonr friends to come also.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS.

(From the Presbyterian C. E. Manual)

Sun., Apr. 13. Topic—Giving: Its Law; Its Reflex Influence. II Cor. 8:1-5; 9:6, 7; I Cor. 16:1, 2.

POINTS FROM THE SCRIPTURE.

Panl commended the Corinthians for continuing to give even in their poverty. Too many, when their income is lessened, cut off God's portion first.

The first giving should always be one's self. Money and other gifts do not count with God until we have given Him our heart. "Not yours, bnt you," first.

Giving for God's service is sowing. If we do not sow we cannot reap. If we sow meanly we shall get scant blessing. If we give liberally we shall receive large blessing. Try it.

God wants no grudged gifts. He wants us to give willingly, with love, and generonsly.

Snn., Apr. 20. Topic—How Can I Know that I am Saved? John 8:32; I John 3:14; Rom. 8:1-6; I John 4:7.

POINTS FROM THE SCRIPTURE.

Abiding in God's word, that is, loving it and obeying it, is one proof that we are saved.

If we are free from the chains of sin it is evidence that we are saved.

If we love the brethren, other Christians, it is a proof that we have passed out of death into life.

PRACTICAL ANSWERS.

The Bible is onr guide, given us by God. A Bible answer is therefore the right answer.

The Bible does not concern itself with what a convert feels. We are not told how Nicodemus, or the woman of Samaria, or Zacchæus, felt. What they did is recorded, instead. They obeyed Christ; that was enough.

Feeling is the most uncertain thing in the world. A fit of physical depression often brings a fit of doubt. If onr salvation depended on how we felt about it, we should be lost and saved a dozen times a day.

Sun., Apr. 27. Topic—Samnel's Call. I Sam. 3:1-21. (Union meeting with the Juniors.)

POINTS FROM THE SCRIPTURE.

Children shonld be given to God in their earliest years.

There are many things even a little child can do for Christ: "Samuel ministered before the Lord."

God speaks even to very young children in many ways; through parents and teachers, in the Bible, through conscience.

Children shonld always listen when God speaks, and be ready to obey.

A BOY IN GOD'S HOUSE.

Samuel was brought to the house of God when he was only a baby. The idea that the smallest boy is out of place in God's house does not come from the Bible. Samuel found something to do for God there, too.

Samuel was a reverent boy. Even the bad example of Eli's sons did not lessen his reverence for holy things. He listened to God's voice and obeyed it. He kept his yonng heart pure and lived in the fear of God.

Samuel never forgot the lessons of God's house. He became a great prophet, a fearless leader, a maker of kings. He learned the secret of his greatness in the days of his boyhood—obedience, reverence righteousness.

Snn., May 4. Topic—Prayer a Necessity. Matt. 26:36-46.

POINTS FROM THE SCRIPTURE.

When we are abont to meet a great trial we should pray.

In personal prayer it is better to go away alone, where only God will be near.

In our praying we should submit all to God's will. "Not as I will, bnt as thou wilt."

It is right to be importnnate in prayer. Jesns prayed three times for the same thing.

PRAYER AND ANSWER.

When we once realize that prayer is answered we realize also that we cannot get along in this tempted, tried life of onrs without it.

Spurgeon said, "Prayer pulls the rope below, and the great bell rings above in the ears of God." God has pledged himself in his word to answer prayer. The fanlt is in the prayer if the answer does not come. "Good prayers," said Hall, "never come creeping home."

The list of answers to prayer is as long as the centuries. If any fact in history is thoroughly attested it is that prayer is answered.

Sun., May 11. Topic—Jesns the Living Bread. John 6:22-35, 48-58.

THE EMBLEM OF BREAD.

Bread has in it that which nourishes the natural life. Christ has in him that which feeds the spiritual life.

Bread must be eaten before it will satisfy hunger. Christ must be received by faith.

Bread is broken before it is eaten. It is Christ's body broken that is bread to us.

THE MYSTERY OF FAITH.

The people accepted without any question Christ's miracle of the loaves and fishes. But when he spoke of the living bread, they murmnred. They trusted him to feed their bodies, bnt not to feed their sonls.

There is a mystery in onr salvation. It is God's work, not man's, and so is too high for human minds to comprehend. Only by accepting Christ as the living bread, and feeding npon him in humble faith, can we gain the blessings he came to bring.

ADDITIONAL CHURCHES

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

Easter was commemorated in a quiet manner by this church, sermons and music being devoted to the theme. The floral decoration was very tasteful.

Our pastor's father, Rev. G. L. Teeple, was with us Sunday, April 13th, and gave us two especially good sermons.

A pulpit exchange has been arranged for the second Sunday in May with Rev. M. G. Nelson, of Springfield, Mass.

FARMINGTON AVENUE CONGREGATIONAL.

Mr. J. Lawrence Thurston, of the Theological Seminary, addressed the Endeavor Society, Sunday evening, April 13th. He is a very forceful speaker.

The Chinese Sunday-school is in a very flourishing condition, but we need more teachers. Who will volunteer?

The parish reception will be held the 29th of the present month. Come and bring your friends.

WINDSOR CONGREGATIONAL.

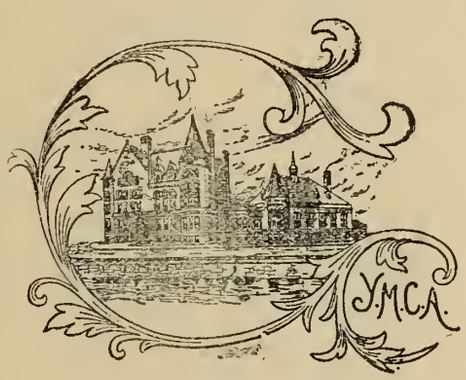
Our church and community mourn the loss of Miss Olive Pierson who died April 3rd, at the age of 81. It is difficult to tell in a few words the important place she filled in the life of the local church and the generous aid she gave to mission enterprises far and near. But she was loved not only for her gifts of money to support the work of the church and to relieve the wants of the poor, but for the sympathetic interest that went with her gifts. We ought to be better Christians for having known such a disciple of the Master.

THE OPEN HEARTH.

A retrospect of the past weeks brings to our thoughts many things for which we are thankful The results of such a work as that done by any Christian organization may not be summed up at the close of a month as we might balance an account of dollars and cents. Christian character is a matter of slow growth, but it may be inferred from the content in the homes which have been helped by the Open Hearth and the good attendance at the meetings.

Easter was celebrated by a special service in which the children took a leading part, and sang Easter carols which had been previously rehearsed. The flowers given to the Mission on that occasion were later distributed among the families in the neighborhood. The mite boxes, which were given to the children some four weeks ago, which were to receive a collection for the children's room in the new building, brought back a large collection of pennies, and more important still, increased the interest of the children in the plans for the new work on Grove street and made them feel that they, too, have had a share in it.

Our minds turn forward rather than backwards, in view of the move which the Open Hearth is so soon to make. The change promises to increase the usefulness of the mission even before the new building is erected, because the grounds surrounding the house, now standing on our new property, can combine the advantages of a sand yard, which has been the only out-of-door resource of this building, with quite extensive play grounds and beds of flowers. It is impossible to see all the opportunities which lie ahead of us, and it will be difficult to grasp them all, but we shall trust to that guidance which has led us hitherto. And so while we bid good bye to the old home, in which so many men have been reached and so many lives changed, we look forward with hope and confidence and joy to the new field opening before us, trusting that it shall see the advance of the Kingdom upon earth.



Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

This month marks the closing exercises in several departments of the work. In the Physical Department the winter season closed with the annual banuet of members held in Jewell Hall, April 11th. It was well attended by young men active in that department and some very interesting addresses were made by Mr. F. W. Ober, editor of "Men," the Association official organ, of New York City; Rev. Dr. Adams, General Jarman, Mr. S. Wales Dixon and Mr. N. H. Jacks. The athletic department does not suspend operations, as the summer work is nearly as lively and interesting as the winter. The athletic ground adjoining the Association building, which is really an open air gymnasium, will be largely used by men and boys during the summer months. Then in addition to these there will be the usual outing features by the wheeling club, baseball, etc.

The Hillyer Institute, which has had a most profitable season's work, will have their closing exercises on Monday, April 21st, and Wednesday, April 23rd. There will be an exhibition of students' work in the rooms of the building from the 21st to the 26th, which is open to the general public.

All friends of the work are invited to the public closing exercises in Jewell Hall, April 23rd.

The Boy's Department has had a most interesting season's work and the meetings for the boys on Sunday afternoons are being conducted through this month and next month. Mr. Jacks is giving a series of talks during the Sundays of April and the first Sunday of May, and on Sunday, April 13th, 240 boys were present. The boys are preparing for a gymnastic carnival to be held on Friday night, April 25th, admission to this being 25 cents. The boy are trying to raise a little money toward securing a camp equipment during the latter part of June and July. The Bible Study Club still maintains a fine attendance, there being from 85 to 90 boys attending the classes every Sunday afternoon.

The Men's gospel services are being held in Jewell Hall this month, and so far each Sunday has seen the hall full. On the 27th of April there will be a men's mass meeting in the Fourth church under the auspices of the Association, when Henry Varley, the famous English evangelist, will be the speaker. Mr. Varley begins a two weeks campaign on the 20th, and will speak every afternoon at 3.30 o'clock in the Asylum Hill Congregational church and every evening, at 8 o'clock, in the Fourth church. The Association unites with these two churches in planning for these meetings.

The annual meeting of the Association will be held in Jewell Hall, April 30th. Earnest efforts are being put forth during these last few days to secure enough money to close the year with all accounts provided for. Considerable help is still needed, but the management are hoping to succeed. The public anniversary services will be held on Sunday, May 11th, when Captain Richmond P. Hobson, of the United States Navy, will be the speaker. There will be two meetings. One for the men in the Hartford Opera House, at 3 o'clock p. m., and another for men and women in Parsons Theater, at 8 p. m. Tickets for these meetings can be secured at the Association building.

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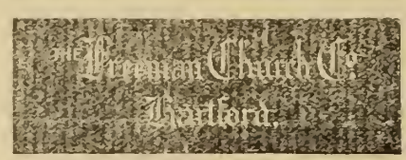

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ADDITIONAL CHURCHES.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

Easter Day was observed by the usual early morning carol service, at which time the church was filled with worshipers. Dr. Hart assisted the rector, the address being made by the rector, Rev. G. T. Linsley.

The flowers throughout the church were beautiful and tastefully arranged. Inside the chancel rail the space was filled with flowers of bright colors as well as the pure white of the callas and Easter lilies.

After the service the rector and choir were given a breakfast at the parish house, by the Daughters of the King.

At the full morning service which was largely attended, the sermon, on the Resurrection, was preached by the rector and Holy Communion was celebrated.

The music was of a festival character and well rendered by the choir.

The Easter Sunday-school Festival was held at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. The scholars and choir sang carols. An address was made by the rector and an offering taken for missions, which had been saved by children during Lent. The usual custom of giving the children a potted plant was also carried out.

Bishop Brown of Arkansas, assisted the rector on Sunday afternoon, March 23rd. He spoke of his work and the needs of his people in Arkansas. It is a big field and his account proved very interesting to his hearers. A collection was taken to aid him in his work.

The Men's League meeting for April will be held Thursday, April 17th. Prof. Charles L. Edwards, of Trinity College will be the speaker and his subject, "The Relation of Religion and Science."

The Daughters of the King and Girl's Friendly Society will serve the lunch.

The societies are meeting regularly at the parish house, and a great deal of interest is maintained.

MEMORIAL BAPTIST.

April 1st is the beginning of our church year and at the annual church meeting, held on April 4th, the old officers were re-elected, with one new trustee, Mr. Wm. R. Hurd, to serve three years. Two new deacons were also chosen, Mr. J. H. Wheeler and Mr. Frank M. Hale.

The Ladies' Aid Society at that time offered to purchase for the church an individual communion service, which the church gladly voted to accept, with thanks to the ladies for the gift.

Several young people from the Bible school have joined the church of late. Five boys from Mr. Johnson's class were baptized in March and six more young people were baptized April 6th, while others will come soon.

On Easter Sunday, Mr. Mucklow preached for the pastor, who was absent because of illness from which he has now recovered. In the evening an Easter service was rendered by the young people of the Bible School under Mr. Shelley's direction.

The Bible School has voted a sum of money in addition to a sum raised by subscription, for new books for its library.

The night was so stormy that only ten were present at the last meeting of the Young People's Mission Circle, but a pleasant time was reported.

Mr. Samuel Spencer has recovered from a severe illness of typhoid fever and is rejoiced to be at home once more from the hospital.

A very large proportion of the members of the church were present at the roll call on Thursday evening and many absent ones sent messages.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

The new parish house is occupied by some one of the guilds or clubs every day in the week. The Men's Club meets every Thursday evening.

This church has recently mailed to about two hundred families in this vicinity cards giving list of all services and meetings of the various organizations through the week, with an invitation to attend any of them.

The Archdeaconry of the county are to meet with us on April 15th.

A reception to the rector will be held Thursday evening, April 17th, from 8 to 10. All are invited.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER.

Easter Sunday was observed with special services and singing in the morning and an Easter sermon by the pastor. The regular service of the Sunday-school was omitted and in its place a children's vesper was held at 4.30, at which Dr. Adams gave an original story entitled, "Little Olsen and His Brother." A poem written by Dr. Adams in memory of Mr. George Hebard, was also read.

The annual convention of the Young People's Christian Union was held here April 4th and 5th, with a banquet on the evening of the 4th. The services were well attended and there were about sixty from other unions in the state.

Dr. Adams and the Rev. Harold Pattison exchanged pulpits Sunday morning, April 13th.

Wednesday evening, April 16th, a play entitled "Fit and Suitemall-Fashions," will be given at the vestry, for the benefit of the Ladies' Society. The play was written by Miss Kate E. Ellis.

Friday evening, April 11th, the Louise Circle of Kings Daughters entertained those who took part in their play, "Hunkers P. O."

The annual parish meeting was held Monday evening, April 7th, and the reports were very gratfying. Officers for the year were elected and other business transacted.

SOUTH BAPTIST.

The annual meeting of the Hartford Baptist Union was held in the chapel of the South Baptist church, Wednesday evening, April 9th, a special report of which appears in another column.

Special meetings were held in the chapel during the week begining Mar. 31st. The meetings were for Bible study and prayer, and were quite well attended.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society have been requested to repeat the "Surprise Entertainment" which they gave on the evening of March 26th. The proceeds of this entertainment were used towards repairs on the chapel. The price of admission will be the same, 15 cents, and the entertainment will be given again Friday evening, April 18th.

"The Religious Message of Matthew Arnold" was the topic of Rev. Frank Dixon's Sunday evening sermon April 13th.

The "Ever Ready Circle" of Kings' Daughters gave a play called, "Six Cups of Chocolate" at their social, Friday evening, April 11th. There was a musical program which consisted of several instrumental pieces and selections on the mandolin by three young men, after which cake and chocolate were served.

OLIVET BAPTIST.

Our pastor leaves us the first of next month. As yet no one has been called to take his place.

Our annual roll-call was held Wednesday evening, April 3rd. Fifty-four out of ninety members responded. After the calling of the roll refreshments were served and a pleasant time was enjoyed by all who attended.

On Easter Sunday, at 4 p. m., our Sunday-school gave the cantata entitled "The Resurrection," by Manney. Every seat in the church was taken and the cantata was rendered by Mr. C. A. Sherman and Miss Leila M. Smart, assisted by a chorus of twenty voices.

BUSINESS AND PLEASURE.

Mr. W. E. Wallace, the Nurseryman, has issued a very attractive catalogue of interest to every planter and lover of flowers. It is very attractively illustrated by photos from actual specimens raised by Mr. Wallace for his patrons, the collection of roses being remarkably fine. This catalogue can be obtained free by calling at the West Hartford Nursery, 785 Farmington avenue, or it will be sent by mail upon application. Besides the numerous varieties of roses, which are fully described as well as illustrated, the catalogue contains descriptions of hardy ornamental trees, evergreen trees and shrubs, hardy flowering shrubs, climbing plants and hard perennial plants. Mr. Wallace also carries a large stock of carefully selected fruit trees.

The nursery is easily reached by West Hartford cars, and every facility is afforded for a careful personal examination of the stock. All orders are promptly delivered, and where required, competent men are furnished to do the planting.

A certain lady assured her husband that she had never told him a lie nor ever would. He told her that he did not doubt it, but would hereafter cut a notch in the piano when he knew she deceived him.

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Mr. W. L. Forbes, the local representative of the New Home Sewing Machine Co., has secured new quarters at Brown, Thomson & Co's, and is better able than ever to exhibit his fine line of machines.

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APOPLEXY.

Apoplexy, or its English equivalent, "a stroke," is a good name for a disease under which the sufferer falls to the ground, unconscious and paralyzed, as if he had been struck down by a blow. The usual cause of apoplexy is the rupture of a blood-vessel in the brain and a consequent escape of blood, but the condition may also be produced by the sudden plugging of a blood-vessel with a clot. The result in both cases is much the same—a destruction of a portion of the brain substance.

It is a common idea that only the aged are liable to a stroke, but this is incorrect. The disease is not at all uncommon in infancy, and it may occur at any age, although the period during which it occurs with greatest frequency is the decade from forty-five to fifty-five years.

The underlying cause of apoplexy is disease of the blood-vessels, which renders them liable to rupture when an unusual strain is put upon them. Thus we find that a stroke is often brought on by mental excitement, or by some unusual physical exertion, such as running for a car or lifting a heavy weight. Apoplexy may come on in the night; then it is very probably induced by a vivid dream, in which the heart is made to beat forcibly.

Temperance advocates find apoplexy one of the strongest arguments against alcohol, for overindulgence in drink is perhaps the most fruitful cause of disease of the arteries, and the excitement of a debauch very commonly terminates in an apoplectic seizure in one whose arteries are softened or brittle. However, intemperance is by no means the only cause of apoplexy, and it would be most unjust to suspect every one who suffers a stroke of drinking to excess.

At the moment of an attack a person may be feeling unusually well, or there may have been a little pain or fullness in the head. Then, without warning, he falls and loses consciousness. The face is flushed, the pulse and the arteries in the neck are beating powerfully but rather slowly, the breathing is somewhat slow, and there is usually snoring and a puffing out of the cheeks and lips.

Death may occur in this first attack but the majority of patients recover more or less completely. They are, however, in danger of a second stroke, which is more liable to result fatally.

A sufferer from apoplexy should be placed on the bed with the head and shoulders raised. Hot cloths, which may be wrung out of mustard water, should be wrapped round the arms and legs, and cold cloths or an ice-bag applied to the head.—The Youth's Companion.

ADDITIONAL BOOK NOTICES.

Rosalynde's Lovers. By Maurice Thompson. 247 pages, 12 mo. Indianapolis: The Bowen-Merrill Co. Price $1.50.

For many years Maurice Thompson was a name known well and favorably in the highest literary circles. It was not until "Alice of Old Vincennes" was published that he became a popularly known writer, however. Some of the books he published in his earlier days have been republished since his popular success and have had a vogue they had not at first.

"Rosalynde's Lovers" is a romance of pure sentiments and much beauty, a story of artistic ambitions, and of devotion to high principle. It is a well told story and a very readable one.

Annie Deane: A Wayside Weed. By A. F. Slade. 375 pages, 12 mo. New York: Brentano's. Price $1.50.

The story of a country girl whose love for a famous tenor brings much unhappiness into her life. It gives opportunity for some acute and able delineations of character and for many passages of genuine dramatic power.

"Annie Deane" is a character of marked individuality and interest, and her story is one for which the author deserves high praise, for it is exceptional in contemporary fiction.

After Worcester: The Story of a Royal Retreat. By E. Everett Green. 429 pages, 12 mo. New York: Thos. Nelson & Sons. Price $1.50.

An historical tale by an English writer is this story of the time of Oliver Cromwell and King Charles II. Many historic celebrities of that time figure in this romance. Among other characters Cromwell himself appears and plays a prominent part in the development of the romance, all of which is founded upon Charles' flight from the battlefield of Worcester.

The story is a thoroughly readable one, and especially adapted for the young.

Dr. F., becoming a little sleepy in his prayer at the Cambridge Divinity School, groaned out, "O Lord, may the improvident become provident, the intemperate temperate, and the industrious industrious."

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LITERARY DEPARTMENT

Scribner's Magazine for April begins a new novel by Richard Harding Davis—an event of the first importance to all lovers of good fiction. "Captain Macklin," which begins in this number, is the longest novel written by Mr. Davis and is his first since "Soldiers of Fortune."

The features of the April Century are a frontispiece engraving by Timothy Cole of the famous painting by Velasquez entitled "Head of a Young Man"; a group of papers of personal recollections of Appomattox by General E. P. Alexander and Colonel Charles Marshall, ex-confederates, and Generals John Gibbons and Wesley Merritt of the Union Army; the beginning of a new serial story on marriage, entitled "Confessions of a Wife," by 'Mary Adams"; four humorous stories, including "Chimmie Fadden on L'Aiglon and Woman;" "A Hard Road to Andy Coggins;" by Chester Bailey Fernald; "My Golf," by Charles Battell Loomis, and "Disciplining the R. & O.," by Willis Gibson.

Chief among the features of the Easter Ladies' Home Journal is the opening installment of Helen Keller's own story of her life. The fact that this, and all the autobiography which is to follow, were actually written by the wonderful girl herself is only equalled by the remarkable literary merit of her production.

Israel Zangwill, the noted author, has witten an important article which Success has secured for its May issue, in which he has made a great study of the success principles that have been for ages, attributed to the Hebrew race, of which he is a distinguished member.

McClure's Magazine for April contains for a leading feature an article by Lincoln Steffens, on "The Overworked President." Another timely article of much interest is "A Tale of the Trout Stream," by William Davenport Hulbert with many unique drawings by Walter Manly Hardy.

A number of other popular authors contribute to this issue and the illustrations are of uniform excellence.

Authors of Our Day in Their Homes. Edited by Francis Whiting Halsey. 300 pages, 12 mo. New York: James Pott & Co. Price $1.25.

It seems hard that the privacy of a man's home is not respected if he happens to be a celebrity in any walk of life. However, these interviews were voluntarily giv n and the sketches were edited by a man whose fine taste and discretion cannot be questioned, Mr. Halsey being the editor of the New York Times' Saturday Review of Books and Art, in which paper these sketches first appeared.

The authors written of include Mark Twain, Winston Churchill, Edward Eggleston, S. Weir Mitchell, Edwin Markham, Laurence Hutton, Goldwin Smith, John Bigelow, R. W. Gilder, Charles Dudley Warner, John D. Champlin, Joel Chandler Harris, Theodore Roosevelt, Robert Grant, Edward E. Hale, Will Carleton, Marion Crawford, Gilbert Parker, Robert Barr, James Lane Allen, Booth Tarkington and Carl Schurz.

The volume is illustrated by excellent reproductions of photographs of the authors and their homes.

MARK TWAIN IN HIS STUDY AT RIVERDALE-ON-THE-HUDSON.

From "Authors of our Day in their Homes." James Pott & Company, Publishers.

The Sea Children. By Walter Russell. 260 pages, crown 8 vo. New York: R. H. Russell.

A beautiful book for children telling a story of Prince Elworth, the young son of the king of a vague, far-off kingdom, where, at intervals of several generations, a child is born who has a peculiar mark upon the body which proves him a sea-child. Prince Elworth was the sea-child of his generation. In time he leaps into the sea and finds all the other sea-children. They make a happy party and they travel all over the ocean floor, see all sorts of wonders, meet with continual surprises and have adventures of more or less serious import.

The book is decidedly entertaining and instructive, even to an adult, for much information is imparted. The illustrations are beautiful and numerous. The volume itself is a specimen of fine book making.

The Surprises of an Empty Hotel. By Archibald Clavering Gunter. 292 pages, 12 mo. New York: Home Publishing Co. Price $1.00.

Another story by one of the most prolific writers of the day, a writer who has produced no real high class literature, but one also who has never written a dull line.

The scene of the present story is Newport. The deserted "Continental Hotel" is where the hero and heroine of the love story, through a maze of unusual circumstances, happen to meet. The ingenious develoment of the story from this meeting, the panorama of Newport and surroundings which is unfolded, the glimpses of pseudo-high-society life, will hold the reader's unbroken interest.

A Revolution in the Science of Cosmology. By George Campbell. 210 pages, 12 mo. Topeka, Kan.: Crane & Co. Price $1.00.

The theories introduced are so iconoclastic, that they will excite much astonishment, beyond a doubt.

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tion, an assertion sufficiently at variance with widely accepted theories to make this book a challenge.

Ireland: Historic and Picturesque. By Charles Johnston. 395 pages, 8 vo. Phila.: Henry T. Coates & Co. Price $3.00.

Since our recent notice of "Scotland" a companion volume has been received with the Emerald Isle for its subject. Like its companion it is a volume possessing genuine artistic qualities and fine illustrations from photographs.

The literary quality of the book is high and excellent, the writer being, evidently, quite familiar with his subject and therefore qualified to produce a volume whose value will be as great for purposes of reference as it will for ordinary reading.

The history of Ireland is of greater interest, and has been of greater moment in the world's affairs, than the average person realizes and so the present work may prove a means of arousing a more general realization of the greatness of the subject.

Through the courtesy of the publishers we give, on this page, a reproduction of one of the many excellent illustrations in the book.

DUNLUCE CASTLE.

From "Ireland: Historic and Picturesque." H. T. Coates & Co., Publishers.

The Diamond Necklace. By Frantz Funck-Bretano. 350 pages, 12 mo. Phila.: J. B. Lippincott Co. Price $1.50.

This is asserted to be the true history of the famous diamond necklace which involved the court of France in one of the most remarkable campaigns of intriguing known in history. The Cardinal deRohan's attempt to disgrace the Queen, Marie Antoinette, by means of this necklace, has been the basis of numberless romances and dramas since, in all of which the details have been distorted until little historical semblance has remained in the story.

Documents recently discovered in Paris by the author, and a careful study of accepted authorities, have enabled him to give, probably for the first time, the full and accurate details of this affair.

The Quiberon Touch. By Cyrus Townsend Brady. 410 pages, 12 mo. New York: D. Appleton & Co. Price $1.50.

This time the reader who follows the flashing swords of Brady's heroes are taken into Quiberon Bay. There he finds "the great Lord Hawke" ready to do battle, and there and elsewhere, if he reads on, he finds battles and sword plays, galore. This is a tame way in which to describe so fascinating a romance, but there is much similarity of tone and style in all the author's books, so that the reader needs only a hint and may imagine most of the rest. There is an effective love story running through the book.

Rockhaven. By Charles Clark Munn. 400 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Lee & Shepard. Price $1.50.

The most effective judgment of a book, whatever this or that critic may say, it that given by the general public. The great and continued demand for the book "Uncle Terry" proves beyond a question that the public rank Charles Clark Munn high among the most popular American novelists, and his position will be much strengthened by his latest work, "Rockhaven." This has all the "heart interest" of "Uncle Terry" and all its poetic appreciation of nature, while being far stronger in plot and more extended and powerful in its character drawing.

Wistons. By Miles Amber. 346 pages, 12 mo. New York: Charles Scribner's Sons. Price $1.50.

The psychological novel has not had much vogue of late and, such being the case, it is only a work of exceptional power that attracts serious interest.

The story is divided into three parts headed, "Betty," "Robin" and "Esther and Rhoda." Each of the characters is notable for freakishness in word and manner and nearly all undergo more than their share of the buffetings of fate

The story is an interesting one and thoughtful persons will enjoy it, but it will probably appeal with less force to the casual reader.

The Fighting Bishop. By Herbert M. Hopkins. 380 pages, 12 mo. Indianapolis: The Bowen-Merrill Co. Price $1.50.

A strong story of an interesting family and an especially attractive center figure. The story brings out some healthful religious theories, though it is far from being a tract. It is a story full of vigorous every day life and activity and includes a love story of much tenderness.

The scenes which show Walt Whitman in the role of hospital nurse have a strong personal fascination about them. The battle of Gettysburg and the draft riots in New York City are vividly pictured.

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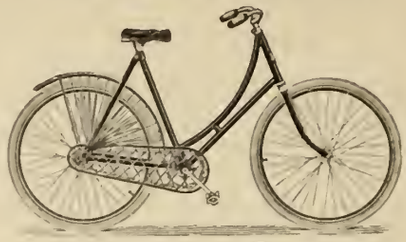

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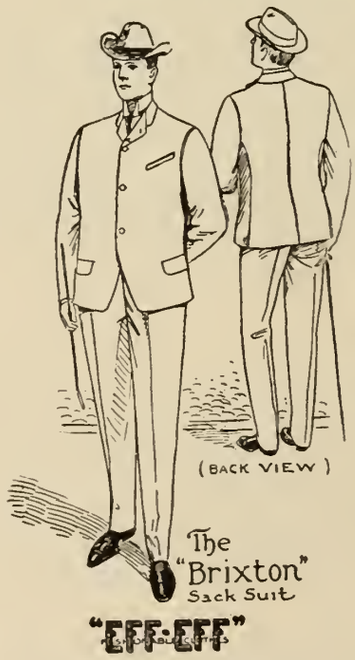

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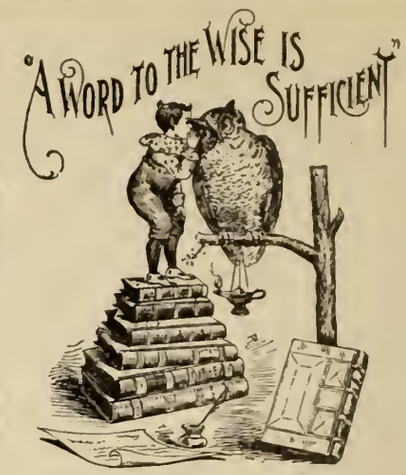

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AS THE BOYS GO MARCHING BY.

Doesn't it thrill a fellow—make a glitter in his eye
And a fidget in his footsteps—when the boys go marching by?
Old mem'ries throng around him—with no regret or sigh
He hails the shining columns as the boys go marching by!

He seems to hear the rattle of the rifles once again,
As in the days God's daisies were reddened by the rain.
The clamor of the captains—the charge and the retreat,
And thinks of Love that listens for unreturning feet.

Doesn't it thrill a fellow? Wrinkled and gray he stands;
But O! the gleam o' the bayonets and the banners and the bands!
The white hair falling over the brows of the old-time braves,
As they answer to the roll-call over their comrades' graves.

Love of a common country; Peace on the plain and hill;
And peace where the boys are marching to the far tents, white and still,
North and South in the Union, and never a tear or sigh;
But doesn't it thrill a fellow when the boys go marching by!

—Frank L. Stanton, in Collier's Weekly.

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THE ETHICS OF GAMBLING.

By Rev. Harold Pattison.

In considering such a subject as the "Ethics of Gambling," one's natural impulse is to say there are no ethics of gambling and so end the whole matter, in which case we could say about this paper what Charles Dickens says about his hero in the opening chapter of "Oliver Twist": "For a long time after it was ushered into this world of sorrow and trouble by the parish surgeon, it remained a matter of considerable doubt whether the child would survive to bear any name at all; in which case it is somewhat more than probable that these memoirs would never have appeared."

But when we ask, why is gambling immoral, we find ourselves confronted with unsuspected difficulties, subtle and evasive. We have a perception that there is vice in gambling somewhere, but precisely where that vice begins or ends, or in what it consists it is not so easy to discover.

Gambling in some of its aspects, is so like things that are good, and in others so unlike things that are bad, that we begin to perceive it is no simple matter to define the ethics of gambling. W. W. McMenzie says, in his discussion on this subject: 'It is a little like real giving, because the loser gets no return from the winner. It is a little like theft, because the winner consents to take what his opponent parts with neither from benevolence nor for a price; yet it is a little like real exchange, because there was a contract between the two, and some say the loser pays for the pleasure of his momentary excitement and for the chance he had of winning."

In attempting to discover why gambling is essentially immoral, let us notice three facts concerning it.

I.—Its Appeal, which is to an unreasonable force.

II.—Its Aim, which is to gain money without returning a proper equivalent.

III.—Its Effect, which is invariably evil.

I. In gambling the supreme arbiter is outside the realm of reason and judgment. The decision is left to chance, or luck. Chance, of course, is only another name for ignorance. A man who tosses a penny into the air knows that whether it comes down heads or tails uppermost, depends on ascertained physical forces, but he knows also that the action of those forces upon that penny is for him incalculable. As Pope has written:

"All nature is but an art unknown to thee:
All chance, direction which thou canst not see."

This is the condition demanded by the gambler. He enthrones chance over reason and the highest powers of his manhood, and in thus deliberately making his supreme appeal to such a force, he insults his reason, commits an act which is immoral, fleeing as far away as possible from reason into the irrational, from knowledge into the unknowable.

But it may be objected that skill does enter in as a factor in gambling. That poker may be won by the man who is the keenest judge of human nature, that the bet on a horse race depends on a man's knowledge of horse flesh, that the man who knows the most about football is the man who wins the most money at the game. But if we stop to examine the objects on which bets are usually made, and

if we note the fact also that the effort is constantly made, whenever skill might enter in as an important factor, to reduce its power, by the giving of odds and the imposing of handicaps, we shall see, I think, that chance and not skill is the determining factor.

Just here lies one of the distinctions between gambling and legitimate speculation. In legitimate business, the constant effort is to eliminate chance; in gambling the constant effort is to enthrone chance. In general, we believe it true to say, that the more nearly the element of chance is sought to be eliminated, the more a gambler becomes a merchant, and the more chance is depended upon by so much the more the merchant becomes a gambler.

It is this elimination of chance that makes of life insurance, for instance, not a gambling transaction, but a legitimate business enterprise. Were life insurance conducted on the duration of a single life as a basis, than which nothing can be more uncertain, it would be gambling; but it is conducted upon the basis of a large number of lives as to whose duration nothing can be more certain and therefore it is business.

Ancus Martius first introduced the worship of Fortuna into Rome. She is an abiding goddess and Plutarch declared aright when he tells us that the goddess had folded wings in token that she had come to stay. Long may she stay. We all own her attraction, though we call her "Fortune, Luck Chance, Accident, Fate, Hazard, Opportunity, or even ignorantly Providence." We love, all of us, to join Mr. Micawber in the fascinating employment of waiting for something to turn up. We own it is the charm of chance that often leads men to seek for the north pole, makes them brave in battle, that sends them to colonize prairies and backwoods—the same charm of chance which sends other men to the game of baccarat, or holds them entranced at the turning of the roulette wheel. Chance, as a subordinate motive in life, has its uses and should have its praise, but when chance is raised to the supreme bench, when it is appealed to as the supreme arbiter, then it should be condemned.

II. But gambling is immoral not only in its appeal but also in its aim, which we shall find, I think, to be at heart an effort to gain money from another without giving him anything in return. If this is so, then gambling is immoral because it seeks to gain something for nothing, which is always wrong.

Theft gets something for nothing and we condemn it because the consent of both parties was not given to the transaction. In benevolence, something is given for nothing and we honor the transaction because of the motive that underlies it. But in gambling the presence of the consent of the two parties never can condone the absence of the spirit that made benevolence proper and right.

Bookmakers at a race-track cheer, not because it is the best horse that wins, but because it is the horse on which their bet has been placed. Can the gambler's winning of the wager be considered as just compensation for risk? President A. T. Hadley, in the chapter of "Speculation" in his Economics, says: "In medieval times all trade was regarded with suspicion and the attempt to buy an article when it was cheap, with a view to selling it when it became dear, was visited with the severest penalties." Here again we find difficulty in making clear the difference between legitimate business and gambling, for all business finds its life in this same desire for gain and all business recognizes the justness of compensation for risk. Bucket shops, are of course, swindles, but in all legitimate speculation, whether the speculator buy the grain outright or buy it on margin, he renders no equivalent, save the risk which he runs for the profit he makes. But here is one difference betwen the man of business and the gambler. In the speculator's game no one necessarily loses when he wins. He conducts his business in accordance with certain laws, he has no desire in the transaction to profit himself at the expense of another, but every gambler desires to rise the winner of that which is another's, without earning it, buying it, or receiving it as a gift, in indifferrence to the pain his gain may cause.

Laurence Gronlund seems to us to place his finger upon the very spot where the immoral in gambling most clearly appears when he declares that the crime in gambling lies in the fact that it is unsocial, considering not the other's interest. It is this side of gambling which Charles Kingsley is combating when he writes in a letter to his son, "Of all habits, however much civilized men may give way to it, it is one of the most intrinsically savage. Historically it has been the peace excitement of the lowest brutes in human form for ages past. Morally it is unchivalrous and unchristian."

1. It gains money by the lowest and most unjust means, for it takes money out of your neighbor's pocket without giving him anything in return.

2. It tempts you to use what you fancy your superior knowledge of a horse's merits—or anything else—to your neighbor's harm.

Whatever form gambling may assume, whether bridge-whist in a Hartford drawing-room, tossing pennies in a Hartford gutter, or even some forms of Wall Street speculation, there is ever present a genial desire to cut the throat of the other man. A gambler is essentially a pirate. This desire may be microscopically small in a "penny-ante," but it rises in proportion as the stakes increase until we find its finished product in such a man as a professional faro gambler of my acquaintance in the West, who informed me one evening in a confidential mood that when the gambling mania was on him he would take a man's last cent, even though he knew for a certainty that his victim would commit suicide the moment after.

We grant that gambling owes much of its charm to love of excitement. It gathers together the greatest number of stimulants and exerts them for the longest time over the most sensitive nerves of any vice yet discovered. And yet we see that this nervous excitement increases with the amount of the stakes. The losers are unable to leave the table at which they lose. The winners always return until they become losers. Whence this singular charm? It is the uncontrolled desire that aims without regard to another's pain, to gain money without productive labor, or other just equivalent. Hence, gambling is immoral, not only in its appeal to an unreasonable force, but in its aim to gain money without giving a proper equivalent.

III. And now let us briefly, in the third place, declare that gambling is immoral ecause its effects are inevitably evil. If "by their fruits ye shall know them" is a proper ethical test, then an examination of the fruits of gambling, is essential to a completion of our subject.

Wherever we look these fruits are inevitably found where gambling is practised. Gambling as a menace to national life is recognized by all civilzed governments. The strict rules forbidding the use of the government mails for the use, direct or indirect, for lottery, or any other gambling scheme, is sufficient evidence of the fact.

We believe it is impossible to prove by unanswerable arguments or to give infallible reasons why gambling is wrong. As we look into the pot, the liquid may look fair and attractive and harmless as the honest soup that stands in the neighboring kettle. It is only when the two come to a boil, that the ethical difference becomes apparent. One sniff, as the first bubble bursts, is sufficient, and that one nauseous odor is more convincing than a whole volume on ethics of gambling. Gamb-

ling destroys all the highest and best feelings of which the human heart is capable. Of all vices its destructive power is the most sure and the most complete. It may be true as W. S. Gilbert has written—is it in the "Pirates of Penzance?"

"When the enterprising burglar's not a burgling,
When the cut-throat isn't occupied in crime,
He loves to hear the little brook a gurgling,
And listens to the merry village chime."

Not so with the gambler. Little by little his vice slays the domestic habits and affections, creates an unconquerable distaste for honest work, kills benevolence and self-respect. Gambling takes as its companion, by an attraction as strong as the law of gravitation, all other vices. The sober gambler exists nowhere save on the pages of a storybook. Gambling leads almost uniformly to dishonesty. The word "gamester" was once synonymous with the word "cheater."

Why gambling predisposes to suicide may be hard to answer, but that it does so no one who reads the statistics of such a place, for instance, as Monaco, will deny.

A life whose whole energy has been given to that which required neither business ability nor worthy effort and whose constant aim has been to gain money at his neighbor's expense at last turns upon itself. Nature relentlessly, irresistibly digs a suicide's grave for every man who prefers that his destiny be ruled by chance rather than reason.

Nothing can justify gambling and though half the churches and colleges and courthouses in New England were made possible by the selling of lottery tickets it would not be made right.

Conclusion.—And so we come to the conclusion of the whole matter. We have said that gambling is wrong because its supreme appeal is to an unreasonable force, because its main aim is to gain money without a just equivalent, because its effects are invariably evil, and yet, clever objections can be found, clever reasonings can be offered, clever exceptions can be taken to all of these three statements. In all this discussion we have offered no definition for gambling. We give none, because we believe none can be given. We acknowledge ourselves likewise unable to make dogmatic statements concerning the ethics of gambling. A definition would be foolish when a description of the beast cannot be furnished. What is gambling and what is wrong in gambling is to be best perceived by no proof, satisfactorily settled by no definite statement. The line that divides the wrong from the right is to be perceived by a moral sense akin to smell. In other words, it is in the power of all men, a power that is finest in the finest men, to recognize gambling when they see it and to feel the wrong in gambling which they cannot always describe in words.

REV. JAMES AQUILA MACMILLAN.

Rev. James Aquila Macmillan, who has recently been appointed pastor of the South Park M. E. church, was born in New York city August 1, 1858. Very early in life he became active in Christian work, not only in his own church, but in general religious work. Before deciding to enter the ministry he was engaged in business in New York city. Preparatory to his entrance to the theological school, he took a special course at Centenary Collegiate Institute Hackettstown, N. J., from which he entered Drew Theological Seminary at Madison, N. J., graduating in the class of 1889.

The following year he was married to Miss Clara W. Cheshire of Brooklyn, N. Y. While a local preacher, Mr. Macmillan was pastor of North (now Simpson) church at Amityville, L. I., and while a student at Drew Theological Seminary he served one year at Teabold, N. J. and one year at Bayport and Bluepoint, L. I. He joined the New York East Conference in 1889 and was reappointed to Bayport and Bluepoint. He served in Milford, Conn., from 1890 to 1894, then went to Seymour, Conn., where he remained one year. In 1895 he was appointed to Trinity church, Long Island city remaining there five years.

In 1900 he was sent to Freeport L. I. from which place he comes to South

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See article on page 17.

Park M. E. church, Hartford, succeeding the Rev. Edward S. Ferry, who, on account of ill health, has taken a supernumerary relation with the conference, that he might secure needed rest. In all of Mr. Macmillan's appointments he has done faithful service and comes to Hartford with an exceptionally good record. While pastor at Milford, the Mary Taylor Memorial church was presented to the society by the children of Mrs. Taylor, in memory of their mother. Mr. Macmillan was intimately associated with its erection from the beginning until its dedication in 1893. A new chapel was built at the same time by the people of the church and congregation under the leadership of the pastor.

At Mr.[t] Macmillan's last charge (Freeport, L. I.) a very successful revival was conducted under his leadership, with the result that a large number were added to the church just before his coming to Hartford. Mr. Macmillan is thoroughly interested in his work as a minister and pastor and is especially concerned about the young people and their relation to Christ and the church. He has entered upon his work at South Park M. E. church with a great deal of earnestness and enthusiasm and already the influence of his life and ministry is felt among the members of the church and congregation.

On the evening of April 30th, a reception was tendered Rev. and Mrs. Macmillan by the members of South Park church, at which time words of welcome were spoken by fellow ministers of his own and other denominations.

Rev. James Aquila Macmillan.

THE OPEN HEARTH.

The 14th anniversary of the Open Hearth and the 13th year of the superintendency of Mr. B. N. B. Miller which has been looked forward to with much interest by the friends of the institution, was celebrated on the 1st of May, and proved to be of a most interesting character. One reason which gave to this occasion a peculiar significance was that it was the last time when so large a number of friends and members of the committee which has labored so faithfully, would meet within the walls of the old building, which, for fourteen years, has sheltered and cheered thousands and been the means of reclaiming and restoring so many who had wandered away from home and duty.

On the evening of the anniversary, from an early hour crowds began to gather and long before the time for the exercises to commence the room was well filled and the large reading-room, in the rear, was opened and chairs and benches placed. The exercises consisted of reading of selections from the bible by Mr. E. C. Perkins and prayer by Rev. J. T. Huntington. Dr. C. D. Alton, president of the Association, presided, and upon the platform were Superintendent Miller and Rev's. James Goodwin, E.de F. Miel, R. H. Potter, J. P. Faucon and J. T. Huntington. Superintendent Miller gave an address, reviewign the work of the past year. Over 14,241 lodgings have been furnished and 20,961 meals, while the wood yard shows an increase from last year of 3000 barrels, and has given employment to hundreds who were without home, food or shelter Coal has been sold at cost to many poor families and the little ones have found a happy place to play in the sand yard. Dr. C. D. Alton spoke of the progress of the work and alluded feelingly to the removal soon to take place and to the love for the old building felt by thousands who had been benefitted within its walls. Rev. James Goodwin pledged his interest to the work, to which he should give his hearty support. Mr. S. W. Raymond spoke feelingly of his love for the Open Hearth and of the affection he had for Superintendent Miller. He should never cease to take a deep interest in everything which was for the interest of the work and to pray that it might continue to increase and thousands be benefitted and

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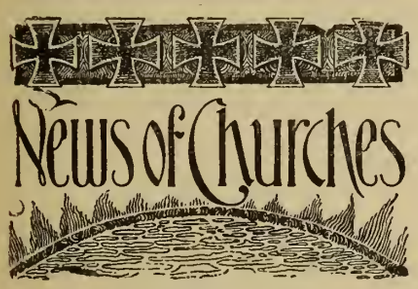
helped within its walls. He felt an abiding affection for the old building, but rejoiced that the institution was soon to have more commodious quarters where a greater work could be done. Rev. E. deF. Miel gave a most interesting and eloquent address which was listened to with delight by the audience. Rev. R. H. Potter spoke of the interest both himself and his congregation felt in the Open Hearth and his joy at its prosperity. Rev. J. P. Faucon spoke of the good which had been done and of his attendance at the Friday evening meetings, which he had generally led for some years. Rev. J. T. Huntington made an exceedingly pleasant address and said such occasions made him feel young again.

Mr. E. C. Perkins, on behalf of friends of Superintendent Miller, presented to him a handsome bookcase. Mr. Miller feelingly responded expressing his love for the donors and his gratitude for this renewed expression of their love. Mr. S. P. W. Marvin, treasurer of the institution, sang several selections which were heartily encored and the exercises closed with the Doxology.

The new home of the Open Hearth is the house formerly owned and occupied by Mr. Nelson Hollister, and with its spacious grounds and lawns, gardens and outbuildings, is undoubtedly an ideal place for the Open Hearth. The property is now in possession of the institution and a removal will probably be made at or before the middle of the present month.



CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

The last meeting of the season of the Men's League was held Thursday, April 17th. Prof. Carles L. Edwards of Trinity College, gave a very interesting lecture on "The Relation of Religion and Science." The quartette of the church rendered two selections very acceptably. It was a good meeting and a worthy ending of a successful season. The League will continue to use amusement room for bowling, billiards, etc., until the warm weather comes. Next season it is hoped to increase the membership and work of the League.

Tuesday, May 29th, the Girls' Friendly Society held an apron sale and sold candy and ice cream, at the Colt Memorial House. About $50 was realized from the sale. This sum will be used to defray the expenses of the society at the state convention to be held this fall.

Tuesday and Wednesday, May 13th and 14th, the Colt Dramatic Club will give a comedy entitled "The Attorney's Tangle," at the Colt Memorial Hall. The proceeds will be used toward completing payment for a piano purchased last fall for use in the parish house. A good performance is assured and a good attendance looked for.

The parish paper, "Parish of the Good Shepherd," has been lately issued. The editor, our new rector, Rev. Geo. T. Linsley, has a letter of greeting on the first page. A half-tone portrait of Mr. Linsley is a feature of this issue.

Bishop Brewster will visit the church to confer the rite of confirmation late in May. A confirmation class is meeting weekly for instruction at the rector's study.

SUFFIELD STREET BAPTIST.

The Dorcas Society have had their suppers as usual the past month, and on Wednesday evening, April 30th, held their annual apron and ice cream sale.

The Christian Endeavor meeting Friday evening, April 25th, was omitted so that members might attend the union meeting held at the Congregational church in East Hartford.

On May 6th, the Sunday-school gave an entertainment and social, under the direction of Mr. Wiley's class of young ladies. There was a large attendance, and it was voted a success. Cake and ice cream were provided for all.

The music committee of the C. E. Society is working on a program for Children's Day. The entire program will be rendered by the boys and girls.

The C. E. Society has recently had a new set of chairs furnished, in place of the old settees, making the room look even more cosy than usual. They will will be used for some classes in the Sunday-school and by the choir Sunday evenings. The Dorcas Society is going to furnish some medium sized chairs for the Primary classes.

TRINITY CHURCH.

The Girls' Friendly Society is to give an entertainment May 19th, in the parish house, consisting of tableaux and musicale.

Rev. Paul Shimmon, of Urmi Persia, recently spoke to the Sunday-school about the work in that country in which he is about to become engaged.

Mr. Henry E. Rees is again with us in the Sunday-school work, after four Sundays absence, made necessary by a business trip through the South. However, he had a good account to give of himself last Sunday and reported that he had visited six Sunday-schools dur the four Sundays away from home.

Last Sunday badges were given to those scholars who were entitled to have their names upon the Roll of Honor. A number of new names were added to the long list already there.

A good likeness of Mr. M. P. Walker, who sailed May 1st for China, as a missionary, appears in the current number of the Spirit of Missions. Mr. Walker's class in the Sunday-school is now taught by Mr. R. J. Goodman, whose former class of boys have entered the rector's bible class.

SOUTH CONGREGATIONAL.

At the morning service, May 4th, three persons joined this church by letter from other churches and William Ashworth, a member of the Sunday-school, upon profession of faith.

We had the pleasure of Rev. Mr. Potter's presence in the pulpit on a recent Sunday.

Recent leaders of the young people's meetings have been, R. T. Huntington, Miss Arline Northam and Mr. Prout of the Theological Seminary. Mr. Hundlow of the Morgan Street Mission is the leader for May 18th, the subject being, "Practical Consecration."

A number of children from our Sunday-school attended the children's meeting at the Fourth church, Saturday, May 10th.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

On Wednesday, May 7th, Bishop Brewster confirmed a class of twenty-five, of whom eleven were young men.

On Thursday, May 8th, eleven new members were initiated into the Girls Friendly Society.

On Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, May 13th and 14th, the young people of the church gave an attractive cantata at Ives Hall.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

Three persons united with the church at our last communion, two by letter and one on profession of faith.

Rev. M. G. Nelson, of Springfield, occupied the pulpit May 11th, in exchange with our pastor. Mr. Nelson is a strong and intelligent speaker, interesting, and very pleasant to listen to.

PARK CONGREGATIONAL.

On April 20th, Miss Mary Graham Jones addressed the Sunday-school describing the work of the North Street Social Settlement and on Thursday evening, April 24th, she addressed the mid-week meeting.

The last Vesper service of the season was held April 27th.

On May 4th, the following people were received into the membership of the church: By letter, Leon B. Humphrey, Mrs. Mary Russell Stone, Mrs. Hattie B. Stone and William G. Downes; on confession of faith, Merton T. Smith, James Russell Robertson, George W. King, Lester H. King and Louise M. Seyms.

On Friday evening, May 9th, our pastor preached to Congregation Beth Israel and on May 11th, Rabbi Elkin occupied the pulpit of our church and preached to a large audience from the theme "Jerusalem." The service was exceedingly helpful and a success in every way.

On Friday evening, May 16th there will be a very delightful entertainment. The invitation reads, "Around the World in Eighty Minutes." Tickets 10 cents each. The train will start sharply at 7:30 o'clock and is run under the management of the Young Peoples Society. Home-made candy, ice cream, etc., on sale in the dining-car.

On Monday evening, May 5th, Mr. Camp gave his last organ recital of the season.

MEMORIAL BAPTIST.

This month opened very happily on its first Sabbath with the reception of nine new members into the church. Nearly all who have been added to our number this year have come from the Bible school, so we feel that we should put our best effort into that work.

The Pastor's Social Aid Society gave an Orange Tea not long ago which was enjoyed by their friends and was a financial success for the society.

Our pastor has been chosen to represent the young people at the B. Y. P. U. Convention to be held in July, at Providence, R. I. During the last few months we have had several speakers from outside in our young people's meetings. May 4th, Mr. Gregg, from the Y. M. C. A., gave us a most helpful talk on "Prayer."

SOUTH BAPTIST.

Miss Watson, our missionary from Bassein, Burmah, spoke at the young people's meeting Sunday evening, May 11th.

Her remarks were about the work in the schools among the Karens. A number of native costumes and interesting curios were shown. Miss Watson has spent thirty years on the foreign field. She will speak again at the church Thursday evening, May 22nd.

We regret very much to lose our president, Geo. D. Jamieson, and his wife, from the C. E. Society, as they expect to move to Providence, R. I. Mr. Jamieson has been very faithful in his duties as president for nearly a year and Mrs. Jamieson as vice-president. They will be greatly missed by a large circle of friends, not only in the Endeavor Society, but in the church.

Tuesday evening, April 29th, several members of the society gave Mr. and Mrs. Jamieson a surprise at their home in West Hartford. A pleasant social evening was spent, after which a small token of remembrance was given them.

The Ever Ready Circle of Kings Daughters will have its regular meeting in the church parlors, Friday evening, May 16th.

An interesting program is being arranged by the Bible-school for Children's Day, the 3rd Sunday in June.

WINDSOR AVE. CONGREGATIONAL.

Sunday morning, our pastor, Mr. Peabody, preached a sermon about our foreign pastor, Rev. George Knapp, who is located in Harpoot. It was very interesting to hear about him and his work.

"Our Mutual Friend," which was given under the auspices of the Christian Endeavor Society, was repeated April 29th in the lecture room of the church. It was also given in Glastonbury that same week under the auspices of the Christian Endeavor Society there.

The annual church supper and sale of seats was held Tuesday evening, May 6th.

Mr. and Mrs. Peabody are at home to their friends and members of the congregation Wednesday afternoons from 4 to 6. Very many have taken advantage of this time to call upon them.

The annual meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society was held Friday afternoon, at the parsonage, by invitation of Mrs. Peabody. After the election of officers and the transacting of business, a social time was enjoyed and light refreshments were served.

The Christian Endeavor Bible Class was addressed April 27th, by Dr. Ballantine, of Springfield, who has conducted the Bible Class at the Y. M. C. A., this past winter. He also spoke in the afternoon at the vesper service.

At the last teacher's tea, Prof. Beardsley, of the Seminary, gave a very helpful talk to the teachers on "Methods of Teaching."

A number of the classes of our Sunday-school have raised money for a scholarship at Berea College.

ASYLUM AVE. BAPTIST.

At the Christian Endeavor meeting April 27th, Mr. Creyger gave an interesting account of his work in British East Africa.

Friday evening, May 9th, a musicale was given under the direction of Mrs. Pitblado, organist of the church, the proceeds of which went toward the piano fund.

ST. PAUL'S METHODIST.

The annual convention of the New Haven District Epworth League to be held in this church on Wednesday, May 14th, promises to be an interesting and profitable meeting. The session opens at 10:15 a. m, and continues throughout the day and evening.

The date selected for the Old Folks' Concert is Wednesday evening, May 28th. The singers will appear in costume and render old and familiar selections, among which will be found some of the best compositions.

The parsonage, at 53 Sisson Avenue, has been thoroughly renovated for the occupancy of the new pastor, who is now fully settled and at home to callers.

The thirteenth anniversary of the organization of the Epworth League will be observed on Sunday evening, May 18th, with a sermon by the Rev. W. A. Richard, the new Presiding Elder of New Haven District and formerly pastor of South Park church, this city.

UNITY CHURCH.

On April 27th, the desk was supplied by Rev. S. R. Free, as Mr. Waite was ill. Mr. Free gave an interesting sermon on "Inspiration," and also spoke in Sunday-school.

On May 4th, Mr. Waite gave the closing sermon of the series on "Modern Science in relation to Religious Doctrines," with a discourse on "The Influence of Modern Thought on Doctrines in General."

The church has met with a serious loss in the death of Mr. Joseph B. Renshaw, one of our oldest and most respected members whose genial and kindly presence will be much missed.

On account of Mr. Renshaw's illness, the April social was postponed. The Sunday-school social was also postponed, as the hall was engaged.

FOURTH CONGREGATIONAL.

Mr. Henry Varley, of London, Eng., evangelist, held special meetings in this church in April. The interest in the meetings increased constantly and many people were helped. About 25 expressed a desire to lead the Christian life. Unfortunately Mr. Varley, owing to a severe attack of hoarseness, was obliged to discontinue the meetings before the mission was completed. He expects to return here the week of May 18th, and will preach on four evenings at the church.

Under the direction of Mr. Edward Bigelow, science editor of St. Nicholas, the Sunday-school gave the entertainments. The "Haunts of Nature," Friday evening, May 2nd. The pictures were very beautiful, the local parts well taken by the children and the entire entertainment very interesting and instructive. It deserved a much larger attendance than was given it.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

The entertainment given April 21st and 22nd, by the Girls' Friendly Society was in every way a success. Not only was it splendidly supported by the members of the parish, but many friends from outside were present.

April 27th the preacher at the morning service was Mr. Paul Schimmon, a graduate of Columbia University and of the General Theological Seminary. He spoke remarkably well, telling of his old, historic church, and of the English Church mission in Persia, and of the position he was to occupy upon his return to his native country in the near future. He is to represent the work of the Assyrian committee in New York, of which Bishop Potter is president, and which includes many of our prominent clergymen and laymen. He will work under the direction of this committee in conjunction with the English committee, and they are going to establish a girls' school for the uplifting of young Persian girls, fitting them for their future work.

On Ascension Day, May 8th, there will be a morning service, with the Holy Communion at 10 o'clock. Immediately after this service there will be the annual meeting of St. John's Parochial Guild, when reports will be had from all the different societies or clubs of the parish.

The Knights of Temperance are at present busily engaged rehearsing a play which they intend to present in the near future at their closing meeting of the season. They have had a very flourishing winter, under the faithful direction of their warden, Mr. Joseph Lindsay.

WEST HARTFORD CONGREGATIONAL.

Our people regarded it a great privilege to have Dr. James L. Barton, Secretary of the American Board, with us April 20th, not only because he is an eloquent speaker, but because he brought news from our Miss Bowen at Constantinople, Dr. Hamilton at Aintab, Rev. Mr. Hatch and our own missionary, Rev. Mr. Bissell, in India, having within a year visited and inspected the work of all.

The monthly meeting of the Mission Study Class was held Sunday, April 20th. Miss Louise Day gave a sketch of the life of Anskar, the "Ideal Missionary" to Scandinavia; Miss Harvey told of the conversion of the Saxons; Miss Cruttenden read a paper upon the life of King Olaf and C. C. Thomson outlined the lives of Cyril and Methodius. Prof. Geer spoke of the Crusades.

The Thursday evening service, April 24th, was in charge of the Home Missionary Department.

It is expected that Rev. Henry B. Roberts, a former pastor, now Secretary of the Connecticut Bible Society, will be with us Sunday, May 18th. He will preach at the morning service.

The annual meeting of the Men's Union was held April 11th, Myron A. Andrews, presiding. Officers were elected for the coming year. The subject for discussion was, "Needed Village Improvements." W. E. Day spoke of the need of a good sewer system; W. S. Griswold treated on transportation; W. H. Hall urged more system in developing the town streets and E. C. Linn suggested good judgment in the treatment of side walks and regard for shade trees.

The Junior Auxiliary Missionary Society have completed fourteen scrap books and quite a number of patchwork squares, which have been sent to Miss Clara Wells of Hartford, to be forwarded to Sirur, India, to aid Mrs. Winsor in the hospital there.

WETHERSFIELD AVE. CONGREGATIONAL.

The Sunday-school is planning for a Missionary Concert in about a week. We also have preparations well under way for Children's Day and our anniversary.

The grounds around the church look much improved after the grading that has been done the past week.

Two of our former attendants at church have been called to their last rest within the past month, Mr. Danville C. Ricker and Mrs. Geo. C. Brown of Springfield, but formerly of this city.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, EAST HARTFORD.

We had the pleasure of having the Hartford C. E. Union hold its last quarterly meeting with our society. The meeting was an exceptionally good one.

An illustrated lecture on the Passion Play was given by Mr. Farrow, April 27th. He had many excellent slides.

Five persons joined the church on confession of faith, May 4th: Mr. Jas. A. Whitney, Miss Lena W. Pratt, Miss Leila Newton, Miss Annie B. Sanford and Mr. Chas. S. Bryan.

The Current Events and Literary Club will close its season May 19th, with a social and an account of a bicycle tour of Great Britain by Miss Mary L. Williams, who spent three months on the trip.

The Bi-Centennial celebration of our church is to be held May 25-27. A large chorus is being drilled for the occasion. The speakers who will address us include Rev. T. J. Holmes, Mr. John B. Smith, Rev. M. W. Jacobus, D. D., Rev. E. P. Parker, D. D., Mrs. Mary Spring Corning, Mr. H. D. Olmsted and Rev. Willard Scott, D. D.

NEWINGTON CONGREGATIONAL.

The Church Aid Society gave a fifteen cent supper and a social hour followed, with music and song. Thirteen dollars were added to the funds.

The C. E. had a musicale instead of the monthly social. The Lotus Zither Club of Meriden, furnished delightful music. Miss Curtis and Miss Bull sang solos. Ice cream, candy and cake were on sale.

The sermon preached by our pastor at the tenth anniversary of his pastorate in Newington, has been published in pamphlet form and each family given one. Mr. Comstock, one of our members, did the work in fine style.

Mr. Adams of Wethersfield, told us some reminiscences of his life and his missionary friends one Sunday in April.

GRACE CHURCH, WINDSOR.

On Thursday evening, May 15th, an entertainment was given in the chapter house which included tableaux from Dicken's works and a presentation of Mrs. Jarley's wax works.

Delegates have just been appointed to the Diocesan Convention to be held in June at Christ church, Hartford.

Bishop Brewster will visit our parish in a few weeks and administer the rite of confirmation.

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THE STRIKE PROBLEM.

In regard to general material prosperity the United States probably today leads the world and is an object of envy in that respect to other nations. Yet, notwithstanding that fact, there is, especially among our industrial workmen, a restlessness and dissatisfaction which is widespread, deep-seated and in many respects threatening to social order and stability.

On the one hand, the "Captains of Industry" have formed combinations of capital unprecedented in the history of the world; and on the other hand, labor is also organized as never before. Obviously their interests are mutual, yet we find them arrayed in two hostile camps and battles of greater or less magnitude going on all the time.

There was a time, and not many decades ago, either, when the relation between employer and employee was one between individuals. But labor saving inventions have changed all this and the employer on one side is now the representative of aggregated Capital, while the employee is but one unit of a great force termed Labor. Individuality is now practically annihilated in the industrial world.

No one who is impartial will dispute the right to either side to organize for their own interest. Great economies have resulted from combinations of industries; and it is also an established fact, that organized trades are able to secure better wages than those which are unorganized. The demands of trades unions and their very organiation have met with resolute opposition. Strikes have been the common result and while many strikes have failed, others have succeeded, and the net result has been a substantial gain for Labor.

Locally we are inflicted with a Carpenters' strike and the community suffers. Three dollars a day does not seem an exhorbitant claim for a skilled laborer to make, especially as there are often periods of enforced idleness when he is earning nothing. With the present prevailing high prices of the necessities of life, the carpenter's family must be a thrifty one to manage on $3.00 a day, if it is to make any provision for the future. As for their right to make such a claim, they have as much right as the hardware combination has to arbitrarily raise prices on the builders' materials. They have the right to make the claim but to make their claim good is a matter which they are now fighting for.

The builders naturally oppose these demands, as they would oppose the hardware combination, were they able. The cost of labor as well as the cost of materials determines the contract price for the builder and if the total is too high, he loses the contract.

But there should be no necessity for strikes, as all concerned lose by them and the public suffers as well. If the representatives of each side could meet and fairly discuss the questions involved, each willing, also, to make some concession to the other, these labor differences might be settled amicably and cordial relations exist between employer and employee. And if they failed to agree after a reasonable effort, the next best thing is to agree to arbitrate their differences. One plan or the other is almost invariably successful, if fairly tried. Or, if both fail, the law itself should provide a tribunal to settle such controversies, for the whole community is closely concerned in these affairs and is entitled to protect itself.

One phase of the question of the liquor traffic in this country should receive careful consideration by advocates of temperance; that is the use of advertising by the manufacturers, notably of whiskey. It is practically impossible to take up a newspaper that does not contain the announcement of some particular brand or brands of whiskey, though in spite of them the consumption has not increased in proportion to the amount spent on advertising, nor indeed, in per capita consumption. Still, it is pointed out that had it not been for this advertising the sales would have decreased materially, this being the means that the liquor dealers have taken to combat the work done for temperance. One remedy suggested is that there should be a boycott of the papers which carry the objectionable advertising in much the same way that one tacitly condemns the periodical that carries other objectionable matter, by refusing to buy or to subscribe to, or to patronize it in any way. Merchants who have the cause of temperance near to their hearts should not place their advertisements alongside of whiskey advertisements, and were this policy pursued the publishers would soon appreciate that it was to their interest, financially as well as otherwise, to exclude such things from their columns.

Corporations and individual employers have it in their power to greatly advance the cause of temperance among those in their employ. This has been demonstrated already by some large corporations, which have insisted, and made it a condition of entering their service and remaining in it that they abstain from the use of intoxicating liquors. Andrew Carnegie, in a letter to Dr. Cuyler, enclosing a generous gift to the National Temperance Society, expressed his interest in the cause of temperance, and said: "The best temperance lecture I have delivered lately was my offer of 10 per cent. premium on their wages to all employees on my Scottish estates who will abstain from intoxicating liquors." This was Mr. Carnegie's way of promoting sobriety and frugality among the men in his employ in Scotland. If the profits of a business justify this extra outlay, it will undoubtedly go a great way toward inducing some men to practice abstinence. But without any money premium on temperance, if the tenure of a position is conditioned on total abstinence, many will comply with the condition rather than lose their place.

The Federated Protestant Church, or the Evangelical Union, formed by missionaries in the Philippines in April, 1901, held a conference in Manilla in January. The Union now embraces fifty-four American missiona-

ries who represent ten different boards. This includes all Protestant workers in the Philippines, except those of the Episcopal church, who, it is expected, will soon join the Federation. The work accomplished under the Union plan during the first nine months of its operation was regarded as proof that the federation idea is perfectly practicable, and that it insures the exclusion from the islands of denominational competition. As to the prediction that the various denominational forces would not keep to the territories assigned them, it was ascertained at the conference that not a single attempt had been made to overleap the boundaries as defined in the original agreement. The history of the Evangelical Union of the Philippines so far is a beautiful illustration of Christian harmony, which, it is hoped, may be continued for all time to come. At the conference, hymnology, religious literature, the supply of the Bible in the many dialects of the archipelago, and kindred topics were profitably discussed.

The New York Society for Ethical Culture deplores the prevalent and artificial makeshifts in the manner of living, and says that future historians will speak of the present generationas 'flat dwellers'' just as we now speak of the ''cliff dwellers.'' It contends that the idea of permanence is the very foundation of home, while ''spring moving'' has become an annual occurrence with the people all over the country. The Arabs that fold their tents, according to Longfellows poem, may be said to be outdone by the folding-Bed-ouins of to-day.

The Tenth International (Fifteenth National) Sunday School Convention, representing the United States and Territories, Hawaii, Porto Rico and the Philippines, the British North American Provinces, Territories and Possessions, Mexico and Cuba, will be held in the City of Denver, Colorado, June 26th to 30th, 1902.

BUSINESS AND PLEASURE.

We call attention to Mr. P. J. Breen's special offer on monumental work. Five dollars cash discount by mentioning The Church Review. See Mr. Breen's ad. on page 19.

Mr. C. N. Ruedlinger, 736 Broad street, has a very effective method of exterminating the Elm tree beetle and the San Jose scale. Just now is the time to give your trees attention if you wish to preserve their foliage and life. Drop a postal to Mr. Reudlinger and he will call.

Little four-year-old Mabel, coming into the room one day and finding the baby with one end of a door-key in his mouth, exclaimed: ''Baby, take the key right out of your mouth, or the first thing you know you will have the lockjaw.''

Mr. P. J. Breen, of the Hartford Monumental Works, 1066 and 1068 Main street, has just returned from granite and marble quarries where he has made very large purchases of rough and finished stock. He has recently put in electric machinery for the rapid finishing of stone and he claims he is now in a position to erect the very best of work at the very lowest prices. See his special offer on page 19.

The Princess Lou ise's studio is a lit tle iron building, half hidden among the trees within the garden wall at Kensington Palace, facing Palace Green. Through the doorway made in the wall are brought the blocks of marble which are to be fashioned into statues and busts from the Princess's models. She spends several hours in her studio each day when at home, enveloped in a large white apron, busy either paint ing or modelling. Her latest is a statue of the Queen, which is to be placed on the west front of Manchester Cathedral.

CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY.

The work of the Connecticut Children's Aid Society has been well sustained during the last few months. Our contributions have come in generously for the new building which will soon be erected. The treasurer reports about $6,000 already in hand, and there are promises which will materially increase this amount. The society hopes to have the building well along toward completion before fall. Several children have recently been placed in family homes, and many have also been provided with boarding homes.

A child suffering with bow legs has recently been sent to the free bed in New Haven hospital, for an operation. This bed is always at the disposal of the society for patients through the kindness of Mrs. Francis Bacon, of New Haven.

Four children have been admitted to the Newington Home within a few weeks. One from Bridgeport, one from New Haven and two from Hartford.

On Sunday afternoons, at 3 o'clock, the children at the Home are gathered together for a service of song and recitations and frequently there is present a minister from Hartford to speak to them.

WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

The advanced class in physical culture had its closing meeting on Friday, May 2nd. After the lesson a flash light picture of the class was taken and ice cream and cake were served. The season has been a very successful one, and most of the members are looking forward to advanced work in the fall.

The cooking class finished the course of twelve lessons by a spread served to several friends of the class Friday, May 9th.

A members reception was held on Tuesday, April 29th, and was well attended. Mr. Nairn told very interesting stories of southern life and Miss Graves and Mr. Marvin sang.

There have been two entertainments in the Girls' Branch. On Tuesday, May 6th, the Fidelity Club gave an Arbor Day entertainment consisting of an address by Prof. Gordy, singing and recitations by the club and the planting of a Fidelity Bed in the yard by the light of Chinese lanterns. On Thursday evening, May 8th, the Brownies enjoyed a peanut hunt in the rooms and games out-of doors, where Chinese lanterns, mingled with white dresses, made a very pretty picture. Many of the classes have closed for the summer, but the club meetings continue once a week.

WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

A good audience listened to Miss Annie Robbins, recently an army nurse of Manila, in Unity Hall on April 22nd. She told us of the more than 1400 islands in the Philippines, the natives, their queer two-story houses built from the top and their taxes which are upon almost everything. The American saloon is doing its work there as elsewhere and ''Uncle Sam'' is represented by an image holding a glass of liquor. The saloons often bear the inscription, ''American Wet Goods.''

The amount received as a free will offering at this meeting was $41.15, which is divided equally between state, county and local unions.

The state W. C. T. U. School of Methods, is to be held in South Manchester, May 22nd and 23rd, for which an interesting program has been prepared. Free entertainment will be furnished by the South Manchester Union. All interested are invited.

ADDITIONAL CHURCHES

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN.

The annual meeting of the church was held Thursday evening, April 10th. Reports were received from the various societies and organizations connected with the church. Forty-eight members have been received into the church during the year, thirty-six on profession of faith and twelve by letter. Ten have been dismissed to other churches and three have died.

The Rev. John T. Huntington, who was the guest of the evening, spoke very pleasantly of his relations to the Presbyterian church. After the formal exercises, refreshments were served and a social time enjoyed.

The pastor, Rev. W. W. Breckenridge, attended the spring meeting of Westchester Presbytery at Peekskill, N. Y.

Through the efforts of the teachers and officers of the Sunday-school, the chapel and parlors of the church is being cleaned and refurnished and the walls painted.

Mr. J. Claire Beebe, of Meriden, has been chosen organist of the church.

The Young People's Society are planning to give a very interesting entertainment the second week in June.

FIRST BAPTIST.

The Young Men's Steadfast Club will give a pleasing entertainment in the church parlors and chapel on the evening of May 16th. The feature of the evening will be "A Tour of the World."

The Recognition Service of the church at Wilson Station was held April 27th. A letter with words of greeting was sent by the pastor, as he was not able to be present in person.

April 24th, the pastor and Mr. Thos. Day, were appointed as delegates to meet in council Thursday, May 1st, to consider organizing an Italian church in Stamford, Conn.

The pastor spoke at the Hillyer Institute banquet, April 21st.

The Men's League gave their closing banquet for the season Wednesday, May 14th. It was ladies' night and a very enjoyable evening was passed.

FIRST METHODIST.

An informal reception was given to Rev. Dr. McCormick and wife on Apr. 23rd at the church. Those in attendance representing the other Methodist churches were Rev. D. W. Howell, Rev. J. A. Macmillan, Rev. B. B. Brown. A very pleasant evening was passed.

Our League mourns the loss of one of its most active members, Charles W. Squires. This was a sudden affliction and keenly felt by the entire society. His funeral was largely attended from his residence on Monday, May 5th, Dr. McCormick taking charge, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Taylor of the Hockanum Methodist church a personal friend of the deceased. "Lead Kindly Light" and "Asleep in Jesus" were sung by a quartette.

On Friday evening, May 9th, occurred the annual meeting of the Epworth League. Officers elected for the coming year were as follows: President, Dr. T. Esgate; 1st vice-pres., J. W. Cary; 2nd vice-pres., Mrs. T. S. Lane; 3rd vice-pres., D. North; 4th vice-pres., Mrs. W. H. Wilde; secy., Miss A. G. Lyman; treas., L. Townsend.

GLENWOOD CONGREGATIONAL.

On April 23rd, the men gave a supper and entertainment, which proved very successful, both socially and financially. One of the features was the trimming of hats by six men.

At the last communion service, May 3rd, there were two persons admitted to membership.

It is pleasing to know that $500 has been paid against our mortgage debt.

The entertainment given by the choir was very pleasing.

Arrangements are being made for Children's Sunday, at which time a pleasing program will be given.

OLIVET BAPTIST.

Rev. James B. Connell concluded his labors as our pastor April 30th. Since that time the Rev. Mr. Hastings of Montville has supplied the pulpit.

One week ago last Saturday the Evangeline Circle gave a home-made pastry sale. On Friday evening, May 23rd, they will give a supper from 5 to 8 p. m.

The attendances at the service of our Sunday-school has not been quite so large as it was during the winter months. The text of the Sunday morning sermon, May 11th, was, "And while thy servant was busy here and there, he departed." Mr. Hastings very ably showed that while we as individual Christians, and as a church, are busy with the every-day affairs of life, we were letting some of the most blessed opportunities of our lives slip by us.

Our Junior C. E. deserves special credit in this line. They make a number of fancy articles and sell them, using the money to purchase flowers for the sick. They also make a weekly contribution toward the church and missions. They have an attendance of about forty at the Thursday afternoon meetings and a greater portion of those present take part.

ASYLUM HILL CONGREGATIONAL

The Mission Study Class held its closing session Monday evening, with "Alaska and the Chinese in America," as its subject.

Rev. George A. Wilder, of the East Central African Mission, recently addressed the young people's meeting on "A Missionary's Experience with Wild Animals in Africa." Mr. Wilder and his wife are the missionaries of this church. They are in this country on a vacation for needed rest and recuperation and to raise funds for the establishing of a manual training school at their mission.

The Men's Class held the last of its series of meetings Sunday, May 4th. Judge Dwight Loomis was the leader with "Egoism and Altruism" for his subject. His address was so excellently arranged and worded, that it might almost be called a classic.

The committee having in charge the raising of funds for the parish house have reported very satisfactory progress.

The annual meeting of the Young People's Federation was held Friday evening, May 9th. The following officers were elected: Pres., William H. Corbin; vice-pres., Edith J. Ney; secy., Charles W. Gross; treas., Chas. S. Blake.

WINDSOR CONGREGATIONAL.

We are disappointed in our expectation of occupying our new parish house the last of May, the carpenter's strike causing a delay.

A quartette of colored singers from Livingstone College, Salisbury, North Carolina, gave a very enjoyable entertainment in the chapel on the evening of April 23rd.

FARMINGTON AVENUE CONGREGATIONAL.

The parish reception which was held on the 29th of April, was quite well attended. The music by the High School Banjo and Madolin Club was of exceeding interest.

More teachers are still needed for our Chinese Sunday-school, whose meetings are scheduled at 4 p. m. Who knows but that this may be the instrument for the upbuilding of Christianity in the Chinese Empire?

WETHERSFIELD BAPTIST.

The young people of the church held a very pleasant social in the church parlor on Friday evening, May 2nd, which was well attended. Solo and quartette singing, recitations, reading and refreshments were features of the evening.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

HARTFORD UNION NOTES.

The semi-annual meeting of the Union was held with the East Hartford Congregational church Y. P. S. C. E., Friday evening, April 25th, and was well attended. The usual exercises were the opening praise service and devotional period. The banner was again awarded to the Rocky Hill C. E. of E. L. and the offering was again donated the North Street Settlement. The speaker of the evening was Rev. George Foster Prentiss, President New Haven Union, on the theme "Practical Christianity." He is a very interesting speaker and gave us food for thought and action.

The financial circular is receiving gratifying attention, yet we hope those who have voted to remit will do so at once, that we may get our finances in good condition before July 1st, 1902.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS.

(From the Presbyterian C. E. Manual)

Sun., May 18, Topic—Practical Consecration. Rom. 12:1-21.

It is not first your money or your time that you are to present to God, but yourself—"not yours, but you."

Consecration is not an emotional or a sentimental thing, but—"a living sacrifice."

Consecration means service, ministry—"according to the grace" given.

Consecration means love—"kindly affectioned," "of the same mind," "at peace with all men," "if thine enemy hunger, feed him."

A young mechanical engineer in a bridge-building establishment was lately given orders to design a bridge of a certain kind. His drawings and specifications appeared well; but the bridge fell down of its own weight before it was finished. A theoretical thing and a practical thing are not always the same thing.

Consecration,—the giving of one's self unreservedly to the service of God—is too often a thing of theory rather than of practice. Yet it is meant to be the most practical matter possible. Every day has a hundred opportunities for consecration. Paul meant just what he said when he told his converts, "Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God."

Sun., May 25. Topic—Missions: Our Missionary Boards. "A work for me and a work for you." I Cor. 12: 1-10.

Different people have different gifts. It would not do if all were just alike, with talents for the same thing. A great many necessary things would not then get done at all. But there is somebody with talent for each bit of work.

Mission work is broad and varied. It must reach over seas to heathen lands. It must touch the frontiers of the country, the Indians, the colored race in the South, the mountain whites, the city slums, the neglected everywhere. There is work for all kinds of workers.

Every Christian has something to do in this work. No one can shirk his his part and then have a satisfactory accounting when he goes to God's bar. The "well done" will be only for those who have done what they could.

Our church has its Boards and usually the best way we can work is through these. Christian Endeavor teaches this—that we all give through our own church organizations.

Sun., June 1. Topic—The Purpose of His Coming. Matt. 18: 11; John 10: 10.

The mission of Jesus Christ began in the heart of the Father. "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son."

The Son of man came. He could not save lost men by merely loving them and interceding for them. He came down to earth to reach them with his love in their sin and sorrow.

He came not merely in spirit, but took upon him the form of man, that as a man he might get near the people and make known to them in human life the sympathy, love, and helpfulness of God.

He came not merely to civilize, to educate, to elevate, but to save. What we all need first of all is a Saviour. It is good to have a teacher, an example, a helper, a friend, but until we are saved nothing else meets our deep need.

He came to give life, not merely, but abundant life. In another place Jesus said rivers of water should flow from the lives of his disciples. That is, great blessing and good for the world.

Sun., June 8. Topic—How the weak Become Strong. II Cor. 12: 9, 10; Isa. 41: 10; 58: 11.

The old saying, that "man's extremity is God's opportunity" is in line with the teachings of Paul and Isaiah. Paul used a very strong expression when he said, "I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities,"—but he meant it.

If we were strong enough to do without God how many blessings we would lose! Some persons think they are able to take care of themselves, but in their folly they forget that God created them, and shows mercy to them every day. We may not recognize our weakness and dependence, but it exists, nevertheless.

When we do recognize it, it throws us on God, and "he loves the burden." He is at our side, ready to bestow upon us his own strength, in the fullest measure in which we are willing to receive it. He "waits to be gracious." No soul ever trusted God for strength and did not get more than was asked for. The necessity, the infirmity, the reproach, become occasions of joy and power. Paul reached the point of glorying in infirmity that the power of Christ might rest on him. We need to strive toward it, too.

Dr. Clark, who is now in Sweden, reports a Christian Endeavor society at Malmberjet, fifty-five miles north of the Arctic Circle, where for a fortnight in December and January they have to read the constitution with a Standard Oil lamp at midday.

The Christian Endeavor movement has become entirely self-supporting in Germany, and a field secretary will be employed at once.

In six years Christian Endeavor has grown in Australia, in a population of less than four millions, to 970 societies with 30,000 members.

The Boston Christian Endeavor Union proposes to put at least one hundred gospel cards in the street cars.

The annual conventon of the New Haven District Epworth League will be held at St. Paul's M. E. church, Parkville, on Wednesday, May 14th.

Messrs. Seidler & May, 306 to 318 Pearl street, have a fine line of refrigerators of all sizes and at all prices. Lawn and piazza chairs and settees, swings and summer furniture of all kinds, are the season's offerings at this store.

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The Ætna Barber Shop, 210 Asylum street, is now equiped with new chairs the best and most modern to be obtained. Many improvements have also been made.

THE HARTFORD SUNDAY-SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT'S UNION.

The Union held a meeting at the South Congregational church, New Britain, Monday evening, April 28th. Supper was served at 6:30, at which 98 persons (superintendents and teachers) were seated.

After inspecting the rooms and methods of this fine school, the meeting resolved into three conferences.

The Superintendent's section, led by Mr. J. T. Chidsey of Bristol, used the "Round Table Superintendent's Leaflet," prepared by Mr. Marion Lawrence, General Sec'y International S. S. Association.

The teachers, led by Mr. Solon P. Davis, of Hartford, used a similar leaflet for teachers, prepared by the same author.

The Primary Teachers were led by Miss M. E. Dougherty, of the Fourth Congregational church, Hartford.

The total attendance was 123, being the largest gathering in the history of the Union.

WARBURTON CHAPEL.

A successful season of work in the boys' clubs was brought to a close on Wednesday, April 30th. It is planned for another season to enlarge the club work with boys and girls by the addition of gymnastic apparatus.

Classes have recently been formed for cooking and basket weaving. These will continue during the remainder of this season, with a view to taking up the work in the fall for a longer term.

The following teachers with their classes met at the chapel on Thursday evening, May 8th, for a supper and social. Miss Eliza F. Mix, Miss Lizzie J. Holcomb, Mrs. Hubert D. Tracy and Mr. J. Wesley Pownel. Everybody's Evening was given on April 23rd. A program of songs, music and stories was presented in a pleasing manner.

The closing mothers' meeting for this season was held April 17th. Mrs. Tracy presented a report of the winter's work and recitations, music and songs furnished by the members of the choir, made the evening a very interesting one.

The following minute was adopted at the teachers' meeting, May 6th, to be preserved on our records and a copy thereof forwarded to the family of Mr. Squires:

"Entered into rest, May 2, 1902, Charles W. Squires. For nearly four years he was an ever faithful and true teacher at Warburton Chapel and gave himself freely in personal service for the chapel and for the salvation of all those whom God put near him. We realize that we have lost in the decease of our co-laborer, a staunch friend, who labored zealously to widen the Kingdom and to bring others into it. We bless God's holy name for this faithful servant now departed this life in God's faith and fear and pray that we may so labor that with him we may be made partakers of everlasting life."

NEW BRITAIN AVE. MISSION.

Committees have been appointed for the Children's Day program, which will be given June 2nd.

Rev. Mr. Conrad, of Sag Harbor, L. I., who was a delegate to the conference of colored clergymen, held in this city recently, occupied the pulpit Sunday evening the 11th.

Interesting side-lights on the President's character are continually coming to the front. On a recent Sunday morning he returned to Washington on the seven o'clock train. The night before he had been up late and had, indeed, left New York after midnight. He was in that city as one of the speakers at the installation of the new president of Columbia University, Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, who was elected to fill the position left vacant by Hon. Seth Low when he became mayor of Greater New York. Arriving in Washington at seven in the morning, as I have said, Mr. Roosevelt went to the White House, and, instead of resting after the fatigue of the trip he walked to the Grace Reformed Church, accompanied by two of his boys, to take part in the morning services. Mrs. Roosevelt had remained in New York.

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ADDITIONAL CHURCHES.

WETHERSFIELD CONGREGATIONAL.

April 20th, Mr. Harrow gave his illustrated lecture on "The Passion Play at Oberamagau."

At the communion in April, four were received into the church on confession and two by letter.

April 24th, at the church prayer meeting, Miss Morse gave a very interesting account of the mission work being done among the cowboys of Idaho.

April 25th, a musical entertainment was given in the chapel under the auspices of the local W. C. T. U. A free will offering was made and a very helpful and instructive talk was given by Miss Robbins, of St. Louis, on temperance work among the Filipinos and our soldiers there. Several of the young people were dressed in costume.

Our pastor conducts prayer meetings in South Wethersfield and Griswoldville every other week.

May 4th, the Ladies' Aid Society cleared $35 from their Orange Supper.

May 11th, our pastor exchanged with the Rev. Dr. Johnson, of Farmington, where Mr. Clark formerly preached.

May 21st, we are to have a Sunday-school conference, including the schools of the Wethersfield and Berlin Sunday-school Union. There will be afternoon and evening sessions, with many pastors and laymen as speakers including the Rev. Dr. Dunning, of Boston, who expects to be in Hartford on that day.

SOUTH PARK METHODIST.

Rev. W. A. Richards, a former pastor of this church, now presiding elder of the New Haven District of the New York East Conference, will preach Sunday morning, May 18th, and will hold the first quarterly conference Saturday evening, May 17th.

At the annual election of officers of the Epworth League, held Monday evening, May 12th, the following were elected: Pres., Millard Young; vice-pres's., Stanley Spafford, Miss Lulu Winchester, W. E. Herman and Miss Aurilla R. Witham; secy., Miss Hattie A. Morris; treas., Robert S. McGee.

There will be a union prayer meeting on Thursday evening, May 15th, at the North M. E. church, in which members of the four Methodist churches will participate.

A very pleasant reception was tendered the Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Macmillan on Wednesday evening, April 30th, in Boardman Memorial chapel. A pleasant social hour was enjoyed and there were words of welcome by the Rev's. J. T. Huntington, H. M. Thompson, D. W. Howell, Dr. McCormick and Burdette B. Brown. An orchestra furnished music, and refreshments were served.

WETHERSFIELD METHODIST.

May 11th, our pastor will exchange with the Rev. Mr. Dunkerke who will administer the Lord's Supper. In the evening we will celebrate the anniversary of the League. A special League service will be held before the usual service.

THE CHARLESTON EXPOSITION.

Some of its Features.

The South Carolina Inter State and West Indian Exposition, now drawing to a close, has been a notable event to the South, as well as to the entire nation, and its results will prove, it is hoped, far reaching and profitable.

It has not been a mere exhibition of Southern products, nor yet a gigantic show, neither has it been held to commemorate some past event in South Carolina or Southern history, but primarily and chiefly, the end sought has been the development of Southern industries, trade expansion between the states and the establishment of close commercial relations with the West Indies and the republics of Central and South America, especially those on the Atlantic seaboard.

NEGRO BUILDING. Charleston Exposition.

The Exposition opened its doors on Dec. 1, 1901, and the date set for closing is June 1, 1902. Hundreds of thousands have visited it from all over the world, and all have been impressed with the wonderful progress and resources exhibited.

The principal Exposition buildings are thirteen in number, and comprise the Cotton, Commerce and Agricultural Palaces and the Minerals and Forestry, Administration, Auditorium, West Indian, Woman's, Art, Negro, Transportation, Fisheries and Machinery Buildings. The Court of Palaces, around which the main Exposition buildings are grouped, is twelve hundred feet in length and more than eighteen hundred feet wide. In the center of this vast area is a Sunken

Garden seven hundred and fifty feet long by four hundred and fifty feet wide. This Sunken Garden holds a lake, spanned at intervals by rustic bridges, whose borders are outlined at night by fairy lamps.

Across the Plaza, and between the Sunken Gardens and the Auditorium, which has a seating capacity of four thousand and contains one of the largest organs ever constructed, upon which excellent music is rendered daily, is an elevated pergola several hundred feet in length. This affords shade and an excellent opportunity for viewing the Court of Palaces. The effect of this Court in the daytime, with its wide stretches of soft green lawns, its palmetto trees and its splendid surrounding buildings joined by long colonnades, with the lofty domes of the three palaces standing out against the warm skies, is remarkably beautiful. Seen at night, with the great buildings brightly outlined against the deep black shadows and the lights reflected in the still waters of the lake, the effect is even more enchanting. The natural section is apart from the Court of Palaces, and is reached by a short walk or by the miniature railroad, whose tiny trains, carrying hundreds of visitors, puff to and fro the day and evening through. It is the most distinctive and most unique part of the Exposition. An artificial sheet of water, Lake Juanita, made by flooding a large marsh from the near-by Ashley River, has on its banks on one side the Maryland, New York and Philadelphia buildings, and on the other the Machinery and Transportation Buildings. A graceful bridge, having in its center an electrical dome of colored glass illumined by electric lights, spans this lake at one point, giving access to the Machinery and Transportation Buildings, and farther on a dike confines the waters of the lake and forms the foundation of the appropriately placed Fisheries Building, in which the admirable Government Fisheries exhibit is made.

The natural section of the Exposition is more popular with Northern visitors than anything else, and the lawns and groves are often used for meeting-places, and not a few luncheon parties gather each day to rest under the palms after seeig the more formal exhibits.

The walks lead through what is called the "Grove of Daphne," past the grand stand of the race-course, to the Art Palace.

The Philadelphia Building is another favorite resort of sightseers, for it contains the famous old Liberty Bell, which always arouses enthusiasm in American hearts. The buildings beyond are, in order, those erected by the state of Illinois, pure colonial type; by the city of Cincinnati, Spanish Renaissance in style; the bark structures which represent Guatemala and Alaska; the Woman's Building the low, white, rambling Negro Building, and the effective wooden structure known as the Louisiana Purchase, or Missouri, Building.

Of all these buildings, that erected and arranged by the negroes of Charleston and the South, through a committee headed by Booker Washington, will perhaps be found of the most interest to visitors from the North. In it are displayed exhibits which manifest the remarkable advance made during the last decade in industrial education among the negroes of the South, exemplified in the work shown by the pupils of Tuskegee and other institutes. Those visitors interested in the education of the negro will find in small compass in this building a most comprehensive and gratifying showing of the work that is being done to educate and better the condition of the Southern negro.

There are many other notable buildings which deserve full descriptions. Volumes could be written describing the various exhibits. The city of Charleston also, and its surroundings offer a great deal of interesting matter but it is impossible to touch upon them in this brief article.

The South has demonstrated an amount of enterprise in connection with this Exposition which has been a complete surprise to most Northerners. Nevertheless, North and South united, for all time, let us hope, in the same glorious Union, Northerners are in a very large measure gratified to see the Southland forging to the front. May the largest hopes of the Southerners be fulfilled as a result of their admirable Exposition.

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Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The Young Men's Christian Association, with the 30th of April, closed its 24th year's work in Hartford. President C. A. Jewell, who has been at the head of the work for a great many years, remarked in the public anniversary meeting at Parson's Theater, Sunday evening, May 11th, that this past year had been one of the most interesting and effective of any in the history of the work.

The Association is rejoicing in the release from the mortgage debt on the property which has been carried for the past nine years. This was one of the most important developments of the past year. Another important work was accomplished in the development of a larger work for boys. That work in its new phases was not fairly started until last October and the work of these months was largely preparatory for what we hope will be a much larger work for the coming year.

The annual report shows that a very large number of men were reached through the Sunday afternoon gospel services. The meetings held in the Hartford Opera House from November to March, have had a grand total of 15,000 men in attendance. The membership during the past year did not have any marked increase, being only 84 more than the previous year, and now stand at 1124, but no special effort was made the past year to enlarge the membership owing to the fact that many new lines of work were being undertaken. The anniversary services addressed by Captain Hobson were attended by large crowds of people and were greatly enjoyed by those who were fortunate to hear this remarkable young man. The association enters upon its 25th year under very favorable auspices.

Mr. C. O. Parington, of New Britain Avenue, has some specials in the nursery stock line which deserve attention. We call attenton to his advertisement on page 4. The trolley cars pass the nursery.

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LITERARY DEPARTMENT

A double frontispiece in color by Maxfield Parrish, showing desert and reclaimed land in Arizona side by side, accentnates the beginning in the May Century of the promised series on "The Great Southwest" by Ray Stannard Baker, the other illustrations of which are also from drawings by Mr. Parrish. The first paper deals with the large aspects of this little known region—natnral featnres, climate, population, irrigation, character of the people, etc.

Basket ball supplies a long felt want and combines the beneficial results obtained from the rope, bar, running, jumping and other gymnasium exercises and has the additional interest and spirit of competitive sport. The May Delineator, in the fonrth article in its series on athletics for women, fully describes this game, which is so interesting to both participants and spectators, and shows some especially fine pictures.

Spring features in the May Scribner's will include drawings in color by Henry McCarter to illustrate Heine's "May Song"; a nature poem by John Burroughs; a fight with a muskallonge, illnstrated by Frost, and a sea story.

A series which shonld have been named "The Enchantments of our Modern Aladdins," if considered solely from the point of view of romance, is begun in the May Cosmopolitan. Bnt these sketches possess as well a business interest equally for clerk and capitalist, for mannfacturer, farmer and merchant. The man who wonld understand the drift of onr news in finance and business must read these lives, so full of incident, of chance, of hard labor and marvelons success As it is, the series receives only the common-place name of "Captains of Industry."

James L. Barton, secretary of the American Board of Foreign Missions, has written for the May Woman's Home Companion an article on the captivity of Ellen M. Stone. The writer's position makes this the most authoritative article on the snbject that has appeared.

Stephen Holton. By Charles Felton Pidgin. 312 pages, 12 mo. Boston: L. C. Page & Co. Price $1.50.

This is the most recent work of the author of "Blennerhassett" and "Quincy Adams Sawyer." It is the story of a yonng clergyman and his love for a charming conntry girl, but it is also a strong plea for temperance—temperance especially in such things as gambling and the nse of intoxicants. Such themes are nsnally treated in a hackneyed style. Yet there should be genuine inspiration in the subject, it carries so many dramatic possibilities.

In this case the anthor has taken advantage of many of these opportunities and the varying scenes include a mission meeting in the slnms, an opening night of a bnrlesque and a day with a detective. The story is a strong and entertaining one.

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The Westcotes. By A. T. Quiller Couch. 290 pages, 12 mo. Philadelphia: H. T. Coates & Company. Price $1.00.

Though a short romance, this story of the Napoleonic wars is bright and sparkling. It tells a pretty love story with bnt little digression and yet brings in characters who are at once noteworthy and new.

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Dorothy South. By George Cary Eggleston. 453 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Lothrop Publishing Co. Price $1.50.

Dorothy Sonth is the young heroine of this tale of Virginia in the days just prior to the Civil War. Mr. Eggleston has shown recently in "A Carolina Cavalier" that he is worthy of a high place among the writers who have tried to depict the South of those days.

Historical romances have become suggestive of triteness and monotonous clashes at arms. While the present beautiful story suffers in the flood of historical novels, it is distinctive and really worthy a reading.

Anticipations. By H. G. Wells. 340 pages, 8 vo. New York: Harper & Bros. Price $1.80 net.

The fnll title of this book tells that it is "anticipations of the reaction of mechanical and scientific progress upon human life and thonght."

The anthor is well known for his vivid romances of apparently impossible things. These have all been entertaining and ingenious. So is the present work. It is fair to say that it is more than that, however. It is thoughtful as well as ingenions. The adaptation of other philosophers' theories in his mind, the addition of serious study and serious theories of his own, leavened with some simple imaginings, the result is these papers, some of the titles of which are: "Locomotion in the 20th Century," "War in the 20th Centnry," "The Conflict of Langnages" and "Faith, Morals and Pnblic Policy in the 20th Century."

Thonghtful readers will find the work well worthy their attention, while those who read merely for entertainment will not be disappointed.

Social Salvation. By Washington Gladden. 240 pages, 16 mo. Boston: Houghton, Mifflin & Co. Price $1.

The author considers the relation of the church and pnlpit to social

questions of the day. He holds that the Christian purpose is a social as well as an individual regeneration and that the central interest in these problems is the interest of character.

In a way this book is like hundreds of others in its objects but its treatment is different, such a difference only as one would expect from so well balanced a scholar as Dr. Gladden.

The care of the poor, the relation of the state to the unemployed, the questions of prison reform and the treatment of the criminal classes—these are among the subjects discussed.

One World at a Time. By Thomas R. Slicer. 265 pages, 12 mo. New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons.

This is a religious work, a practical theory of a practical religion being developed in a skillful manner. The principles of Unitarianism predominate, though the author is not dogmatic. On the contrary, he expresses concern for a healthy and cheerful use of reason in considering questions of life and methods of living. This course, he sincerely believes, will, while enabling one to derive from life its most valuable pleasures and enjoyments, best prepare one for the life that is to come.

The Stars. A Slumber Story. By Eugene Field. 70 pages, 16 mo. New York: New Amsterdam Book Co. Price $1.25.

One of Eugene Field's child stories is here brought out in dainty form with a preface called "An Appreciation," by Will M. Clemens, the author of "A Ken of Kipling."

All lovers of Field will be anxious to have this tasty volume. It is certainly a charming tale and one wholly characteristic of the writer.

The Catholic: A Novel. Anonymous. 363 pages, 12 mo. New York: John Lane. Price $1.50.

The author, speaking from behind his veil, says that this "is a picture of life," not a novel with a purpose. He has, with apparent sincerity, and with a vividness that holds the interest, endeavored to give the result of his observations of a part of English society interested in the Roman Catholic Church, with a view to impartially portray character as developed under its influence

The story is the record of a proud Englishwoman under the influence of a great spiritual power. Her character is full of contradictions. There is a little that is admirable in her personality and some that is the reverse. The author's principal aim is an exposure of questionable practices of the Romish Church.

Nestlings of Forest and Marsh. By Irene Grosvenor Wheelock. 257 pages, 12 mo. Chicago: A. C. McClurg & Co.

Mrs. Wheelock has in this book depicted in quaint and graphic language a most charming phase in the life of birds, and her pen has been well assisted by the camera in seizing upon the interesting and lively traits of her diminutive subjects, the young birds.

The book is illustrated with twelve full-page photogravures and nearly sixty text illustrations from original photographs from nature by Harry B. Wheelock.

A Roman Mystery. By Richard Bagot. 350 pages, 12 mo. New York: John Lane. Price $1.50.

The scenes of this story are Roman and the author shows an acquaintance with life in Rome unusual with writers who take the intrigues in social, religious and political life there, for their subjects. Vividness is certainly the characteristic of Mr. Bagot as his "Casting of Nets" first proved. No

From "Nestlings of Forest and Marsh."
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scene he depicts but is made live and real and vigorous.

This book like the former one and like the anonymous "The Catholic," is an attack on the Roman Catholic Church organization. The three books form a formidable trio, though in point of interest alone, the present one precedes the other. It is full of vigorous plot and counter plot. The theme of the story is the efforts and the methods used by representatives of the Roman church to coerce the Prince and Princess Brancaleone.

The author is himself a Romanist but he is opposed to the abuses it perpetrates through its temporal power.

Margaret Warrener. By Alice Brown. 500 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Houghton Mifflin & Co. Price $1.50.

The story of artistic aspirations and hopes, foiled in one case and successful in another. Margaret Warrener is a remarkable woman, one in whom many elements of strength and character are typified, yet possessing weaknesses which make her the more admirable in many scenes. The character, Llandaff, is an excellent foil for that of Margaret. He arouses a profound sympathy for his course in opposing the temptations which come into his life.

Alice Brown, the author, is above everything a master of pure human sentiment. She never strikes a false note and her work is always so conscientious as to be worthy of high praise.

The Jew as a Patriot. By Madison C. Peters. 236 pages, 16 mo. New York. The Baker & Taylor Co. Price $1.00.

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Taxes	10,804,028.28	
Total expenditures		253,995,506.41
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JUNE.

No price is set on the lavish summer,
June may be had by the poorest comer.
And what is so rare as a day in June?
  Then, if ever come perfect days;
Then Heaven tries the earth if it be
  in tune,
  And over it softly her warm ear lays;
Whether we look or whether we listen,
We hear life murmur, or see it glisten;
Every clod feels a stir of might,
  An instinct within it that reaches
  and towers,
And, groping blindly above it for
  light,
  Climbs to a soul in grass and flowers;
The flush of life may well be seen
  Thrilling back over hills and valleys;
The cowslip startles in meadows green
  The buttercup catches the sun in its
  chalice,
And there's never a leaf nor a bud too
  mean
  To be some happy creature's palace;
The little bird sits at his door in the
  sun,
  Atilt like a blossom among the leaves,
And lets his illumined being o'errun
  With the deluge of summer it receives;
His mate feels the eggs beneath her
  wings,
And the heart in her dumb breast flutters and sings;
He sings to the wide world, and she to
  her nest—
In the nice ear of Nature which song is
  the best?

—James Russell Lowell, "The Vision of Sir Launfal."

The secret of safety in national life is to have the word of God in the hearts of the people. This means that it shall rule their lives and give character to the nation.

THE ECONOMIC VALUE OF THE LAW AND ORDER LEAGUE.

By this I do not refer to the more than a hundred thousand dollars which League prosecutions have put into the treasury of the state. At the same time, it is well to remark in passing, that this is a perfectly legitimate item to consider in the present connection. It is money rescued, as it were, from the destructive whirlpool, the economic waste, of crime and vice, and made to pay a part of the expense which vice and crime cause to fall upon the community. Since $100,000 is more than twice the sum which the League has cost the people in contributions for its support throughout its history, it might not be a bad investment on the part of the state to give that organization a yearly appropriation of $5000. Even on the present basis the state would make a clear profit of $5000 from the outlay. But as the efficiency of the organization would be greatly increased in that case, it is safe to say that, instead of $10,000, the yearly average of moneys turned over to the state would be not less than $15,000.

But the League performs a far greater service, namely: It diverts non-productive or mal-productive human energy into useful channels. Human effort has an economic value. When not used it is wasted; when badly used it is "worse than wasted." That wonderful co-operative commonwealth, a bee hive, seems to realize this principlewhen it turns to and slaughters the drones because they produce nothing, but consume the honey. The law-breaker resembles a bee which not only by eating consumes the product of other labor and failes to produce anything by his own, but also tears down the comb and commits piracy upon the hive.

Many careless and shallow thinkers assume that any sort of business does good which "keeps money in circulation." No political economist thinks so. It is an axiom that every man must return to the community a balance of real benefits as the net result of his efforts or he is a burden and detriment to the community. No gambler does this. No keeper of a house of ill-fame does it. No inmate of a resort of vice does so. It is more than doubtful if any saloon-keeper does, and it is especially certain that the lawless saloon-keeper does not.

Now it was just these classes of offenders which the old and "regular" machinery of the law seemed unable to deal with. Not only did the mill of the law "grind slowly," but in many places, so far as illegal liquor selling, gambling and prostitution were concerned, it did not seem to grind at all. The League, during its ten years of life, has prosecuted many hundreds guilty of these several sorts of offenses. It has made the risks of such bad businesses greater and their profits less. It has therefore increased both the legal and the economic pressure against law-breakers of the classes named. This pressure has in many cases, driven law-breakers over the threshold past which profits end or willingness to incur the danger of prosecution, penalty and disgrace ends. What next? As men must do something to live, those who are impelled away from dishonest fields of livelihood are at the same time impelled toward honest fields. Scores upon scores of men whom the League has prosecuted for getting a living by violating the law are now maintaining

themselves by legal and proper means. Instead of non-producers or mal-producers they have become producers of good. They no longer detract from, but add to, the good things, the real wealth of the community. Not only have the energies of these men, hitherto locked up in baneful callings, been diverted into proper channels, but also very many, whose number we cannot conjecture, of young men who would have engaged in lawless ways of acquiring an income and so have become economic nuisances, destructive moths upon the social order, have, because of the pressure exerted by the League against certain sorts of illegalities, been deterred from ever so doing.

All this human energy, a detriment and drag to the general community, if wrongly directed, but a gain if rightly directed, has a value representable by dollars and cents. No one can doubt that by diverting it to useful channels the League does a work of many thousand dollars value every year, how many it would be foolish to conjecture.

So much for the saving effected in relation to hitherto and would-be lawbreakers. But most important of all, from the economic standpoint, is the saving effected in relation to their customers. The fallacy that it is always a good thing to ' keep money in circulation" is exploded merely by asking whether it is better all around that a workingman should pay out his hard-earned dollar to a gambler who in turn spends it at a house of ill-fame, whose inmate in turn pays it for liquor to get drunk with, than that the workman should remove that dollar from circulation by storing it in an old stocking against the needs of a rainy day.

Money is of true value to the social organization according to the good it is doing or is laid by and destined to do. In the one case its energy is active, or to use a scientific term, kinetic, in the other it is latent or potential, but in both, its value is measured by its disposition, so to speak, to procure the real "goods" of life. It is manifest that the excitement of gambling, that drunkenness, that lewdness, etc., are not numbered among the true "goods." Any sane political economy must and does recognize these distinctions and the principles underlying. It must be evident then, that the pressure exerted by the Law and Order League to diminish expenditures in such directions, is of great economic importance.

It is always a detriment to spend money for pernicious things, but especially so when poor people, dependent upon their daily labor for support, do this. To the unthinking mind the following equation may be satisfactory: 1 gambler with yearly savings of $3,000 plus 30 workingmen with yearly savings of 0 each equal 1 gambler with yearly savings of 0 plus 30 workingmen with yearly savings of $100 each. There is certainly the same amount of money on both sides of the equation. But it is really far more favorable to the general welfare of the community that 30 workingmen should be putting themselves beyond fear of the poor-house and one gambler be impoverished or forced into another and beneficial calling, than it is that one gambler should fatten and flourish and 30 workingmen be laying up no money because they are spending their excess of earnings at the gaming-table.

What has been the influence of the Law and Order League in the way of lessening opportunities and temptations for wasteful and destructive expenditures? It has almost entirely blotted out the gambling pool-room business of the state, on which formerly six millions of dollars were spent each year. Why, the books seized at two pool rooms alone showed that they averaged a daily business of $3,400 each. The two together—only two, observe—took over two millions of dollars out of the pockets of the people. Without going into detail it may be said that proof exists that over ten million dollars a year were being paid out in the three major kinds of gambling—pool, policy and lottery. It is safe to assume that, deducting all credit due to other agencies of law-enforcement, the work of the League in exterminating most of the pool rooms, breaking the back of the lottery evil and driving the policy nuisance into straits has saved at least five millions of this, a large per centage of which would have come out of the pockets of the laboring classes. Think of it! Millions of dollars which would have gone into the hands of a comparatively few gamblers, saloonkeepers and such ilk, is in evidence today in better fed and dressed children, more comfortable homes and accounts at the savings banks to the credit of thousands of workingmen. Need we say more to show the economic value of the League?

But still another illustration. Gambling machines formerly infested every quarter of the state. They are now mostly driven out, a task which the League was the chief agent in accomplishing. Few realize the damage they wrought. Yet men have been known on Saturday night to spend nearly all their week's wages between them and the bar. Abetted by the stupefying power of drink, they allured hosts of hard-earned nickels from the pockets of poor men. The proprietor of one cigar store offered the prosecuting attorney $30 a month to be allowed to retain a gambling machine in his place. As the proprietor was getting only one half of the gross earnings of the machine, the agent of the manufacturers taking the other half, and as it is not likely that the former would have been willing to give more than half of his own share to the attorney for protection, it seems probable that the machine took in not less than $1,440. a year. But call the average earning capacity of a gambling machine $500., and estimate that there were in the state 300 at one time, which is understating the fact. One hundred and fifty thousand dollars a year poured into gambling machines! Of this sum certainly $130,000 must be saved now, and as certainly the League is to be credited in the proportion of saving $100,000 of it. Is not this a matter of some economic importance.

More than this, the machines were kindergarten schools fastening upon boys and young men the wasteful passion of gambling. Exterminating the germs of the disease has limited the spread of the disease.

The subject is not exhausted, but space allotted is. I do not even attempt to recapitulate, but allow the reader to do this for himself. I have simply jotted down some of the facts known to me, as data from which some kind of a conception may be derived of the economic value of the Law and Order League of Connecticut. —Walter Franklin Prince, Ph. D. Assistant Sec'y L. and O. L. of Conn.

NORTHFIELD INSTITUTIONS.

Bible School, Summer Conferences, "The Northfield", Etc.

Activities at Northfield began this season with the opening of the Mount Herman School on Apr. 30. Its session will continue until Aug. 16.

"The Northfield" hotel will open on June 13 for its fifteenth season and will close about Sept. 25. Commencement exercises of Northfield Seminary will be held from June 14 to 18 inclusive. The gradnation address will be given by Rev. G. Campbell Morgan.

"Camp Northfield" season is from June 26 to about Sept. 1. This camp offers accommodations to young men from city or college Young Men's Christian Associations, and is an especially attractive feature for those who desire an outing at slight expense and with but slight inconvenience. It is situated on the mountain side, in the grove known as "Cathedral Pines," and the Northfield gatherings are held near at hand.

The Student Conference is held from

June 27 to July 6, inclusive, with Mr. John R. Mott for Leader. The purpose of this conference is to deepen the spiritual life of young men in our colleges and other institutions of learning, to so develop and train them that they shall go back to their colleges to be leaders in active Christian work; to develop an interest in systematic devotional Bible study; to strengthen inter-collegiate relations; and to enlist the intelligent co-operation of students in the extension of Christ's Kingdom throughout the world. A notable list of speakers has been engaged for this Conference.

The Northfield Summer Bible School holds its sessions from July 1 to 30. The entire month will be devoted to continuous courses of Bible study.

The General Conference of Christian Workers will be held from Aug. 1 to 17, inclusive. This Conference was very dear to Mr. Moody. It first assembled in response to his call in 1880, and the coming summer will see the twentieth session held since that time. The purpose which he ever had in mind, of a gathering for deepening Christian life and service through prayer, Bible study and the consideration of various lines of Christian activity, will be closely followed as God may direct. The list of speakers includes some of the most prominent in America and England.

The Young People's Institute, under the direction of Mr. John Willis Baer, an institute for the study of Christian work for and by young people has been held for several years, and has been attended with great interest. This season the Institute will be held every afternoon from August 12, until the close of the conference.

A Musical Institute will be held daily during the entire session of the Conference, under the direction of Prof. D. B. Towner of Chicago. The object of this Institute is to deal with the subject of music and its sphere in Christian work, especially in relation to church worship, evangelistic, missionary, and visitation work.

It is proposed to devote August 11 to the interests of Missions. It is expected that a large number of missionaries, from both home and foreign fields, will be present and take part in the services of the day.

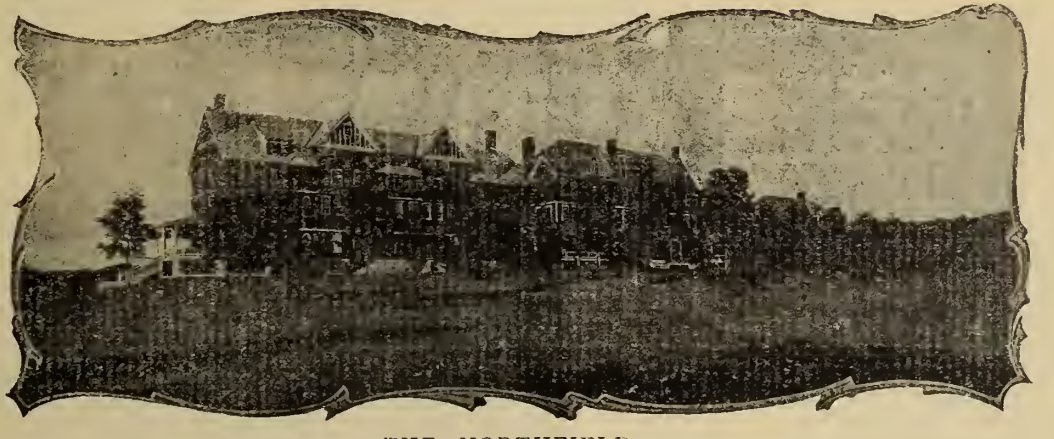
A model of Solomon's Temple, constructed by Thomas Newberry of London, will be on view throughout the summer, free of charge.

The Post Conference Addresses will be held from Aug. 19 to Sept. 7. Rev. F. B. Meyer, of London, will be one of the principal speakers.

Reduced fares are given by nearly all railroads to Northfield. Accommodations can be procured at all prices, from tents and cot beds to a suite of rooms at "The Northfield." This hotel offers many and varied attractions and some description of it will therefore prove of interest.

"The Northfield" hotel owes its origin to the late Mr. D. L. Moody. The summer conferences for Christian Workers, in a short time overtaxed the capacity of the Northfield Seminary buildings and all available rooms in town. Consequently, in 1887, Mr. Moody's friends organized a stock company which built "The Northfield," with accommodations for seventy-five persons. In 1891 it was necessary to extend the plant, and the building known as the annex, with twenty-six sleeping rooms, was erected This is connected with the main building by a piazza eleven feet wide, the total length of which is about three hundred feet. The following year the dining room was enlarged to accommodate about one hundred and twenty-five guests. The patronage of the hotel continued to increase each year, and the management soon found the accommodations did not supply the demand. In the spring of 1900 a beautiful new building, 130x40 feet, was erected on the west end of the main structure. This extension contains forty-one sleeping rooms with numerous private baths, public parlor, and large reading and writing rooms. In the spring of 1901 a large addition was made on the south side. This gives a splendid view of the beautiful Connecticut valley, and greatly adds to the cheerfulness and coolness of the dining room.

"The Northfield" is most happily



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A variety of fascinating walks and drives over hills or along the quiet valley roads, forms a noteworthy attraction of this place. Among the charming and popular drives may be named Lovers' Retreat, Ice Cave, Mount Hermon School, Ashuelt River, Warwick Brook, Brattleboro, Greenfield, and Miller's River.

A shady mountain walk extends from the hotel grounds to Camp Northfield and the summit of Strowbridge Mountain. Rustic seats are provided at convenient distances for rest and enjoyment of the valley and mountain views. The Stone Chair, Cathedral Pines, Bonar Glen, Chalet Roeburn, Wanamaker Lake, and Lovers' Retreat are some of the favorite resorts.

The advantages of Northfield are therefore three-fold, spiritual, mental and physical. Each year it becomes the Mecca of an increasing throng and its influence goes out literally to the ends of the earth.

Northfield Seminary from West Bank of Connecticut River.

View of "The Northfield" from Main Street.

EPWORTH LEAGUE NOTES.

The thirteenth annual convention of the New Haven District Epworth League occurred in St. Paul's Methodist church on Wednesday, May 14 In attendance and enthusiastic interest it was one of the best meetings of recent years.

The program included addresses by Dr. C. W. McCormick of this city, Prof. W. N. Rice of Wesleyan University, Dr. Henry Mansell of India, Rev. W. A. Richard of New Haven and Dr. W. F. Anderson of Ossining, N Y.

Reports from the chapters show a slight increase in membership during the year.

A new financial plan was adopted whereby the annual dues are fixed at a flat rate of five cents per member. It is believed this will provide the treasury with all necessary funds for extra meetings during the year.

The following officers were elected for the new year:

President Rev. Burdette B. Brown; Vice-Presidents, Waterbury Group—Rev. E. D. Bassett, New Haven Group—Mr. F. L. Wellman, Winsted Group—Rev. W. F. Sheldon, Meriden Group—Mr. O. T. Rule, Middletown Group—Mr. Paul L. Price, Hartford Group—Mr. P. E. Shoemaker; Auditing Committee, Mr. W. E. Spicer, Mr. H. M. Hickox; Superintendent of Junior Work, Miss Lillian M. Squires; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Zula E. Rogers, 82 Akron St., Meriden; Recording Secretary, Miss Florence Winter; Treasurer, Mr. James M. Burdick; Executive Committee, Rev. W. A. Richard, Rev. D. W. Howell, Mr. C. J. Symonds.

ST. PAUL'S METHODIST.

On May 13, Dr. Henry Mansell of Mussoorie, India, who has spent forty years in the mission field, gave an address upon Missions in India.

More than 200 representatives attended the Epworth League Convention held on May 14. The local chapter did themselves credit in the entertainment which they provided for the visitors.

The Old Folk's Concert given on May 28, proved such a success that it is to be repeated.

The death of Mrs. Abram Holehouse, a devoted member of the church, occurred on June 4. A brief service was held from the church, the pastor officiating. The interment took place in Spring Grove cemetery.

Chidren's Day was appropriately observed. In the morning the pastor, Rev. Burdette B. Brown, preached upon the topic, "The Children and the Birds." In the evening a scriptural service was presented by the Sunday-school entitled, "The Fruit of the Spirit."

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH.

The annual meeting of the parish was held in the church on Tuesday evening, May 13th, and was more largely attended than usual, there being a number of ladies and members of the Young People's Club present. There were reports read from the rector, the treasurers of the parish, of the Parish Guild, of the Young People's Club, of the Woman's Auxiliary and the secretary and treasurer of the Organ Fund. The latter has now increased so much that it is expected that a pipe organ, very much needed will be built in the church this summer. This is largely due to the untiring efforts of Vestryman W. F. Whittelsey, the chairman of the organ committee. The reports generally showed the parish to be in a growing and prosperous condition.

Officers were elected as follows: Senior warden, E. H. Crosby; junior warden, R. H. Burton; treas., A. D. Pierce; clerk, H. W. Richards; vestrymen, E. H. Judd, W. F. Whittlesey, Geo. F. Douthwaite, J. Henry Martin, Edward Sthelton, A. D. Pierce, E. Reisel, C. B. Sherwood, Rufus Johnson and H. W. Richards. Ushers, Arthur S. Halliday, S. Alpheus Mather, Theodore Naedle, Wilbur Sherwood. Delegates to Convention, E. H. Crosby and W. F. Whittelsey; alternates, H. R. Warner and Edward Reisel.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

At the annual meeting of the parish the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Senior Warden, George W. Woolley; Junior Warden, Edwin P. Taylor; Clerk and Auditor, R. A. Wadsworth; Treasurer, Charles A. Pease; Assistant Treasurer, F. Goodwin Smith; Vestrymen, Harry L. Burr, Warren Hayden, Charles E. Wilson, James T. Pratt, William C. Pease, A. H. Pease, Dr. P. C. Washburn, Frederick W. White, William H. Carter, E. B. Johnson, Dr. F. S. Crossfield, Walter A. Briggs.

The rector may be seen at the church every Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock, on Friday afternoons at 5 o'clock and at his house on Monday evenings after 7 o'clock. The church is open daily for meditation and prayer, from 9 till 5.

The Young Men's Guild has discontinued its meetings until fall.

UNITY CHURCH.

The closing Sunday-school social was held May 23. A soap bubble contest, conducted by Miss Lanphear, was much enjoyed. This was followed by a game of picture guessing.

On the evening of May 29, an entertainment was given by the Young Girls' Dramatic Club for the benefit of the Sunday-school. A play, "A Lover in Duplicate," was presented. A large audience was present and the evening was a decided success.

The closing church social will be held on June 13, and a picnic at Compounce is planned for June 21.

The church services will probably close on June 29.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

An unusually attractive vocal and instrumental entertainment was given on Monday evening, June 2. It is to be repeated by general request.

Thursday evening, June 5, the parish house was well filled, the occasion being the strawberry festival given by the Ladies' Missionary Society.

Saturday, June 7, St. Mary's Guild held a service in the church, followed by a reception to parents and friends in the parish house.

The Sunday-school picnic will probably be given the latter part of this month.

WETHERSFIELD METHODIST.

There has been a slight increase in attendance at the League meetings the past few weeks.

A Home Department is being started in connection with our Sunday-school.

The Children's Day exercises were held Sunday evening, June 8. A very pleasing program was carried out by the Sunday-school.

FIRST METHODIST.

Friday, May 23, the Ladies' Aid Society gave a tea at the church from 6 to 7:30 p. m., followed by an entertainment given by the Epworth League. Music, readings and games were in order.

Sunday, June 8, was Children's Sun day and a nice program was rendered in the morning, at 10:45. In the afternoon our Sunday-school was kindly invited to join with the Park Congregational school in their children's exercises.

Our Thursday evening prayer services are attracting increasing numbers, and the spiritual life in these meetings is greatly increasing. The subejcts our pastor has in store for us each week are very hepful.

Dr. McCormick has been granted a vacation of six weeks, which he intends to spend abroad and will sail from New York, June 28.

SUFFIELD STREET BAPTIST.

The Endeavor Society gave a social at the chapel, June 3. Owing to stormy weather, very few attended.

Mr. Wiley's class of young ladies gave an interesting entertainment during the past month.

The children are rehearsing for a Children's Day concert, which will be held in place of the regular Sunday-school, June 15.

Messrs. Starbuck, Fleming and Cooper and Mrs. Gardner's classes had a picnic May 30, at Rockwell's Grove, Bloomfield. We feel that this is the best way for these young men to get a hold on the boys of their classes.

Abbot Smith left Thursday for Northfield, where he is to take a course at Mt. Hermon. We regret that so many of the men are leaving us, but our best wises go with them.

WETHERSFIELD BAPTIST.

A special meeting was called Thursday, June 5, to consider several important business matters.

At present the Thursday evening meetings are well attended and we hope for still greater improvement.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

There was a class of nine confirmed by Bishop Brewster on Friday evening May 23, at the church. After the rite of confirmation the Bishop spoke to the class on their duties and privileges.

The Daughters of the King and Girl's Friendly Society are continuing their meetings until the middle of June.

Sunday, June 15, at the early communion service, the Girl's Friendly Society will partake of the communion in a body. This will close the season's work.

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew and the Young Christian Soldiers are holding weekly meetings with good attendance and interest shown.

The Good Shepherd Brotherhood has entered into outdoor athletics and has won two base ball games, one of them from Christ Church Brotherhood team.

An excellent photograph giving the church and the Colt Memorial building in one view has just been taken by an amateur photographer. There is a large size and a small oval style. The pictures are very clear and first class in all respects. They are for sale at the Colt Memorial building.

The Sunday-school picnic will be held this year in connection with Christ church at Hanover Park, Meriden, on July 2.

The parish paper will be issued during this month.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, WEST HARTFORD.

The service Sunday evening, May 11, was devoted to reports from the semi-annual meeting of the Hartford Conference of Congregational churches held in the South church, May 6. The theme of the meeting was "The Appeal of the Church to the Youth." Deacon G. T. Goodwin, the Rev. H. E. Haub, Deacon Oviatt and the pastor gave interesting reports.

The series of evangelistic services, conducted by the Rev. Henry Varley, the noted evangelist of London, was largely attended and thoroughly appreciated by the members of our congregation, and others who were able to be present on the evenings of May 19, 20 and 21.

Home Department Day was observed on Sunday, May 25, with appropriate exercises. The pastor's sermon in the morning was forceful and inspiring. The Sunday-school gathered in the church auditorium and the entire session was devoted to special exercises. An address was delivered by H. H. Spooner, president of the Conn. Sunday-school Association, on the "Atmosphere and qualities of a true home." Music was rendered by a male quartette, and a letter from Dr. Hamilton, of Aintab, Turkey, was read.

The union memorial service held on Sunday evening, May 25, was well attended. Prof. C. M. Geer gave an interesting patriotic address, taking as his text, "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord." Members of the Chapter House division of the Boys' Brigade, were present in uniform and occupied front seats.

The ladies of the southeast section of the church, gave a "Blue J" social in the chapel on Wednesday evening, June 4, in charge of Mrs. R. S. Cruttenden.

The Children's Day exercises were held on Sunday, June 8. Five infants were baptized by the pastor and three children, who were baptized seven years ago, were given bibles Dr. Charles J. Ryder, representing the American Missionary Association, spoke of his experiences in the South and in Porto Rico. The children's concert in the evening was well attended.

NEWINGTON CONGREGATIONAL.

The church Aid Society gave a musicale May 22. Miss Winans, soprano; Miss Mabel Winans, contralto; and Miss Clara Pausch, elocutionist. Ice cream and cake were on sale in the dining room.

Several from our church attended the meeting of the Sunday-school Auxiliary in Wethersfield.

The collections in the Sunday-school for three months are to be sent to Mrs. Richardson of Marshallville, Ga.

Several children were baptized on June 8. The church was beautifully decorated with yellow lilies, maidenhair fern, and daisies. The childrens' concert was given in the evening.

PARK CONGREGATIONAL.

On June 1, Rev. J. G. Johnson, D. D., of Farmington, preached in exchange with our pastor.

On Thursday evening, May 29, Miss Harriet F. Barrows was appointed delegate from this church to the Silver Bay council of the Forward Movement.

On June 8, our pastor preached from the theme, "Treatment of children a test of character," which took the form of a plea for a larger, fuller opportunity for the growth of each child and fresh air, sunlight and playgrounds in the city, as in the country.

At 4 o'clock a union service for the children of the First Methodist, South Congregational and Park churches was held in Park church. The children brought flowers to be distributed to the Hartford Hospital or the North Street Social Settlement. Mr. Camp the organist, led the quartette in two beautiful selections, and there were brief addresses by Dr. McCormick and Mr. Ranney.

At the Christian Endeavor meeting Miss Nutting spoke concerning the work for colored girls in Miss Beard's school in Montgomery, Ala. She urged especially that we pray that the girls who graduate from there shall not succumb to temptation and that the work may be blessed as it has been in the past.

Our Sunday-school picnic will be held at Laurel Park. All are invited to join us.

NEW BRITAIN AVE. MISSION.

One of our recent events was the reception tendered Messrs. Fisher, Gaylord, Robb, French and Johnson of the Theological Seminary, by Messrs Henry E. Gage and Richard Joslyn. The students in question have been of great assistance in the work of the mission during their course and it is with much regret that most pleasant relations have been severed. The room was attractively decorated with palms, and the neat arrangement of the lamps about the room add greatly to the surroundings. There was an abundance of ice cream and cake and when one tired of that, there was the lemonade bowl with a "strawberry or two" to make way for more cream. An orchestra of six pieces played during the evening. After the students had all been counted and all there who had been expected, Mr. Joslyn opened the speaking with an address of welcome naming Mr. Fisher as best fitted to respond to the address especially prepared for him. Mr. Fisher spoke feelingly of his pleasant relations with the mission. The other students were introduced by Brother Joslyn with good natured 'grinds," to use a college term, and all responded both feelingly and humorously. More cream, cake and lemonade followed the half-hour of speech-making and an evening long to be remembered closed with singing.

All leave for distant fields excepting Mr. Robb, who remains another year, and will continue with the mission as instructor of the teacher's meetings. Mr. Fisher will probably enter into Sunday-school work in Dakota.

A musical entertainment in aid of the chair fund was given in the chapel by the King's Daughters on June 3.

EAST HARTFORD CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

Its Bi-Cenetnnial Celebration.

The Third Ecclesiastical Society of Hartford, now known as the First Congregational Church of East Hartford, celebrated its 200th Anniversary May 25-27. The occasion was a memorable one to the church and of much interest to outsiders.

The church was handsomely decorated for the occasion, the attendance was large and representative and the various addresses and papers of exceeding interest.

The opening service was held Sunday morning and was participated in by the Hockanum Congregational church.

The service began with a prelude by Organist L. B. Hawley, followed by the Doxology by the choir and congregation. The invocation and prayer were by the Rev. William B. Tuthill, pastor of the church. Lesson 39 was read by the pastor and congregation, followed by the singing of the Gloria by the quartet. The congreation joined in singing "Ye Servants of God." The 98th, 99th and 100th Psalms were read by the Rev. F. P. Bacheler of Hockanum from a Bible printed in 1599. This was followed by the anthem, "All Hail the Power of Jesus's Name," by the choir. Robert E. S. Olmsted effectively sung a baritone solo, "Oh God Have Mercy." Rev. Mr. Tuthill read letters of congratulation from three ministers who formerly occupied the pulpit, they being Rev. Richard Meredith, who was pastor from 1878 to 1884; Rev. S. F. Hatch, a missionary of India, who preached here in 1884, and Rev. Chas. S. Nash, pastor from 1884 to 1890, and now in California.

The sermon was preached by the Rev. Theodore J. Holmes of Vermont, who was pastor from 1864 to 1872, with an interval between, when, on a leave of absence, he served as chaplain in the Civil War. He took for his text, "The Church of the Living God; the Pillar and Ground of the Truth," Timothy I, 3, 15.

The Sunday-school service was held at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. John B. Smith of Berlin, former superintendent read a very interesting paper full of reminiscences of the school and its work thirty years ago. The Rev. Mr. Holmes addressed the children. Miss Florence E. Crosby sang a solo, "The New Kingdom," and several hymns were sung by the children.

The service on Sunday evening was largely a song service. Mrs. F. A. Smith and the Tempo Quartet of Hartford, assisted by a chorus of about seventy-five, rendered the anthem, 'Lovely Appear," from the "Redemption," by Gounod, the 42nd Psalm, by Mendelssohn, and the anthem, "Un-'old Ye Portals Everlasting," from the "Redemption." "Lead, Kindly Light" was sung in a feeling manner by the Tempo quartet. The addresses of the evening were under the form of greetings from the First and Second Congregational churches of Hartford, by the Rev. M. W. Jacobus, D. D.

The services on Monday opened at 2:30 in the afternoon. Fraternal greetings from other churches, the South Manchester Congregational, the Hockanum Congregational, St. John's Episcopal and the Burnside M. E., to gether with personal recollections of the Rev. Dr. Spring, were the principal features. The paper entitled "Recollections of Dr. Spring," was prepared by Mrs. Mary Spring Corning, his daughter, and was read by her daughter, Miss Belle Corning.

There was a large attendance at the evening service which opened at 8 o'clock. A prelude played by Organist Hawley was followed by scripture reading by the Rev. Mr. Bowman. Prayer was offered by the Rev. Dr. Warner of Salisbury. The choir sang the anthem, "Before Jehovah's Awful Throne," which is the one which was sung at the dedication of the present church building, January 20, 1836. Two hymns, "Our God Our Help in Ages Past," and "O God of Bethel," were sung by the choir and congreation. The church history was read by Harry D. Olmsted, clerk of the church. Mr. Olmsted spared neither time nor pains in his work and his paper was excellent and gave proof of having been very carefully prepared.

The Martha Pitkin Wolcott chapter, D. A. R., conducted the services Tuesday. Hatch's Military Band furnishing fine music. After a selection by the band at 2:30, Scripture reading and prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Tuthill. Miss Anna M. Olmsted, regent of Martha Pitkin Wolcott chapter, made the opening remarks. An interesting address was delivered by Mrs. Sara T. Kinney, state regent. Rev. T. J. Holmes addressed the students of the High School. Singing and selections by the band were also on the program.

Owing to the inclement weather the exercises which were to have taken place at the old meeting house site were held in the church. The school children sang "The Star Spangled Banner," and then the presentation of the memorial to the town was made in a very pleasing manner by Rev. Mr. Bacheler. First Selectman WilliamH. Brewer made the response for the town. The benediction was given by Rev. Mr. Bowman.

The exercises closed Tuesday evening. The musical program included a prelude by a string quartet; "The Heavens are Telling," from "The Creation;" solo, "Rejoice Greatly," by Miss Mary T. Stoughton, and "Hallelujah," from "The Messiah." Rev. Willard Scott, D. D., of Worcester, delivered an address on "The Modern Religious Feeling." His address was very interesting.

The benediction closed the service, after which an informal reception was held and much enjoyed, the ladies being attired in old time costumes.

The pastors who have served the church are the following: Rev. John Reed, not settled, 1699; Rev. Samuel Woodbridge, 1705-1746; Rev. Dr. Eliphalet Williams, 1748-1803; Rev. Andrew Yates, 1801-1814; Rev. Jay H. Fairchild, 1816-1829; Rev. Asa Mead, 1830, died 1831; Rev. Dr. Samuel Spring, 1833-1860; Rev. Theodore J. Holmes, 1861-1872; Rev. Frank H. Buffum, 1873-1876; Rev. T. T. Munger supplied one year; Rev. Richard Meredith, 1878-1884; Rev. F. S. Hatch, supplied; Rev. Charles S. Nash, 1884-1890; Rev. S. A. Barrett, 1895-1901; Rev. W. B. Tuthill, present pastor.

DEWEY'S TEMPERANCE LETTER.

Admiral Dewey recently wrote a letter from Washington that will have a direct bearing on the teaching of temperance among the younger generation, The average small boy looks to the Admiral as the embodiment of all that is heroic, and anything that Dewey doe immediately gains his sanction and approval and awakens in him a desire to "go and do likewise." The pupils of a Sunday-school class at Canton Ohio, took exceptions to some parts of the temperance lesson by their teacher because, as they said, Dewey and his men had taken liquor while in the famous battle of Manila Bay. The teacher wrote to Admiral Dewey about this as a large part of her lesson hinged on the use of liquor by the world's leaders and most of its effect would be lost if the boys carried their point. She received the followiug reply direct from the Admiral:

"Dear Madam.—I am very glad to have the opportunity of correcting the impression which you say prevails among your Sunday-school scholars that the men on my fleet were given liquor every twenty minutes during the battle of Manila Bay.

"As a matter of fact, every participant, from myself down, fought the battle of Manila Bay on coffee alone. The United States laws forbid the taking of liquor aboard ship except for medicinal uses and we had no liquor that we could have given the men even had it been desired to do so.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE DEWEY."

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Editorial.

AN EXPENSIVE EVIL.

In this issue we publish an interesting and valuable article on the "Economic Value of the Law and Order League," which deserves a careful and considerate reading.

It suggests the query "What is the economic value of the liquor traffic to the state?"

The cash returns from the County Commissioners aggregate a considerable sum, as the proceeds from licenses, and tax payers feel that a large proportion of the expense of our jails, prison, poorhouses, etc., are covered by license fees. But as a matter of fact, the direct cost of the liquor traffic is far greater than its cash returns.

Of 7653 jail commitments in 1901, 190 were classified as common drunkards and 3770 were committed for drunkenness. Of the habits of the prisoners, taken as a whole, in regard to temperance, less than one and one-half per cent. classed themselves as total abstainers, and it is certain that a large number of commitments for crimes other than intemperance, were indirectly chargeable to the use of intoxicants.

In addition to the cost of our penal institutions, a large proportion of the cost of our courts and police departments is chargeable to the traffic.

In this state the criminal population is steadily increasing as well as criminal expenses. If it is true, then, as can reasonably be proved, that eighty per cent. of crime is chargeable to the liquor traffic, isn't it about time that the cause of temperance became more of a personal business with all our orderly citizens? If the traffic is to go on, let it pay for itself. Let the full share of the expense to the community fall where it belongs, on those who carry on the liquor business.

But it should be stopped, or as a temporary measure, restricted in every possible way. For not only are our pockets touched, but the whole social communiy suffers from the open sore of intemperance. Financially this is a costly business for the state. Morally, its evil effects are immeasurable.

REFORMATORIES.

One of the urgent needs of the times in this state is a reformatory. Most of us can easily recall the lamentable history and attempt made to establish such an institution following the authorization for the same by the legislature in 1895. Just as the hopes of reformers along this line seemed about to be realized, the whole matter was annulled, though the plan has produced splendid results in other states.

The idea of most people is that it is more important to punish a criminal than it is to reform him, but the daily grind of "rounders" in our courts proves how ineffective mere punishment is.

The reformatory idea, where fairly put in practice, has made into good citizens, especially the younger men, those whom ordinary imprisonment, with its evil associations and influence, would have driven permanently into the criminal class.

Offenders sent to reformatories are usually given an indeterminate sentence. It rests largely with them whether their term be long or short. In many cases they are released on "parole," a system which has proved most satisfactory, with but few exceptions.

They are given good employment at a trade which will provide them with an honest living when released.

Their evenings are devoted to educational matters along the line of their peculiar needs.

Spiritually they are looked after by a chaplain whose duty consists in something more than a weekly sermon. His influence with individuals is an important factor in the success of the reformatory plan.

Every incentive is held forth to keep a man on his good behaviour during confinement and to help him start anew and aright upon his release.

The plan has already been tested sufficiently to prove its value, and it is highly endorsed by those who are in the best position to judge, namely, the judges of the various courts.

It is time for Connecticut to fall in line in this reform. As it is, the state is woefully behind in its plain duty.

The West Middlee school district has taken a sensible step in giving a name which stands for something more than a point of the compass to one of its school houses. The Noah Webster School is certainly preferable to the South West by West School. A suggestion along this line was made in these columns many months ago and it is hoped that the other school houses will in time possess names which stand for something. We suggest the "Barnard School" for one good name.

The Open Hearth and the Humane Society have both secured new quarters much better adapted to their work May their new "moves" prove of advantage in every respect and may their good work become even better.

The Episcopal Convention, held at Trinity Church, June 10, was largely attended by clerical and lay delegates from all over the state.

The forenoon session was devoted to the reception of parochial and clerical reports and trustees' reports concerning the bishop's fund, donations and bequests, the aged and infirm clergy fund and the clergyman's retiring fund.

The sermon was delivered by the Rev. Henry M. Sherman, rector of St. Paul's church in Bridgeport. Bishop Brewster addressed the convention in regard to the condition of the Church in the state and particularly in regard to his own work. He also spoke feelingly and with appreciation of the late Rev. C. G. Bristol.

The Connecticut Citizen for May might well be called a Reformatory number. We are glad to acknowledge our own inspiration, in connection with our editorial on the subject, to the "Citizen." This paper is the best one of the size we know of. It is small in size, but solid "meat." Its price is but ten cents a year and is the best bargain at that price on the market. It is published at Rockville and that is where to send your dime, or your cent if you want a sample copy.

The coal operators have troubles of their own on account of striking miners, but it is the miners, not the owners, who will do the worrying. If the miners succeed in getting more pay its an easy matter to add it to the cost per ton to the consumer. When does the consumer's strike begin? Are we waiting for coal to reach $10 per ton? Well it's heading that way rapidly and when it arrives the same question will be there, "What are you going to do about it?"

A STUPID SLAVE.

No man oppresses thee, O free and independent franchiser; but does not this stupid pewter pot oppress thee? No son of Adam can bid thee come or go, but this absurd pot of heavy-wet can and does. Thou art the thrall, not of Cedric the Saxon, but of thy own brutal appetites and this accursed dish of liquor. And thou pratest of thy "liberty," thou entire blockhead!—Carlisle.

BUSINESS AND PLEASURE.

Mr. Jas. Harris is now located at 548 Asylum street, and has every facility for the best kind of work in plumbing, heating plants, etc. Have your house overhauled during the vacation period.

"Well, that's enough to try the patience of Job," exclaimed the village minister, as he threw aside the local paper.

"Why, what's the matter, dear?" asked his wife.

"Last Sunday I preached from the text, 'Be ye therefore steadfast,'" answered the good man, "but the printer makes it read, 'Be ye therefor breakfast.'"—The Standard.

Orders taken for Werder's Ice Cream at No. 737 Main street, or by telephone 134-5.

Outing outfits are now the order of the day at The Geeley Clothing Co., 27 Asylum street. Stylish suits from $10. to $20. They will bear close examination and will give good service.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

Mr. Lester A. Hazlett, acting for the Woman's Christian Temperane Union, has made a profound sensation in Washington in the realms of politics, sociology and ethics, by his report on the conditions of morals in the Philippine Islands. He was sent to the Islands by the W. C. T. U. in order that he might bring back a true and unbiased report, free from the coloration of partisan politics and dealing with conditions in which moral reformers would be interested. Specifically, he was sent to investigate the charges made against the military administration in the islands, and he has evidently made a thorough canvass of the subject which he has presented to the Philippine Committee of the United States Senate in a report which he calls, "A View of the Moral Conditions Existing in the Philippines." Referring to Manila Mr. Hazlett says: "I do not find Manila to be, in the strictest sense, a model city, but can truthfully say, in my judgment, it is the peer of any American city of equal population, in the matter of cleanliness and order and I believe its moral tone to be such as to fairly challenge comparison with our best cities of 400,000 population.

"Probably in no other country in the world do white men become so degraded and demoralized, through associating with the natives, as in the Philippines; and nowhere else do they sink so quickly to the level of the native. I speak now of the lowest class of the Filipinos. Large numbers of Americans are subject to the lowest influences of passion and debauchery."

Referring to the canteen, Mr. Hazlett adds his word against this pernicious influence and he speaks with no uncertainty. After close observation, in which his mind was evidently unprejudiced, he says: "I believe after careful study of this great question with unbiased judgment, I can truthfully say that to revoke the anti-canteen law would be a step backward. Never were the health and morals of the army better than they are today. The records of medical corps and of hospitals give ample proof of this. One of the arguments used by those who plead for the beer canteen is that the proceeds of such a canteen, being turned into the mess fund, give the soldiers a more varied ration. And it is because of this that many of the enlisted men long for its reestablishment. I have proven beyond question that the same result can be obtained without the beer. I am a firm believer in nothing but a canteen or exchange in which no liquor, brewed or distilled, shall be sold."

While the conditions as seen by Mr. Hazlett, prove that the stories of vice and crime are greatly exaggerated, he still insists that there is every reason to continue the work already begun, by directing the campaign along the same lines, making vice abhorrent and giving the soldiers as many comforts as possible, so that the cravings of the lower appetites will not appeal to them. The temperance work is carried on with difficulty on account of the new and strange conditions that many think must be met with unnatural stimulants. Tho wine of the natives is easy to obtain, and terrible in its effects, and the American brewing companies have "followed the flag" with a pertinacity and zeal that would be far better expended on something for the good of civilization, and which might be emulated with a great deal of success by those who are working to remedy immoral conditions.

It is hardly in the province of this letter to discuss the political significance of much of Mr. Hazlett's report, but it will be sufficient to say that he advocates the retention of the islands, not only as a moral duty, but as a political one. He says he went away an anti-expansionist, but returns with the idea that the United States has a great duty before it, to prepare the Filipinos for self-government, a thing they are not yet ready for, and that we owe it to the future to lay the corner-stone of the coming civilization on a firm basis of kindness and justice, such as the natives haver known and do not realize can actually exist. He predicts the day will come when the Philippine Archipelago will be a great commonwealth of states, and says there is now a strong and influential peace party among the natives. He believes the antipathy to American rule has been greatly exaggerated as has been the comment on the harshness of that rule.

Mr. John R. Mott, the well-known president of the World's Christian Students' Federation, which embraces all of the college Christian Associations in the world, has recently been in Washington, where he delivered an interesting address before the local Y. M. C. A. He has just returned from a trip around the world, during the course of which he visited nearly all the colleges and universities in Christian and other lands. This journey was filled with events of the greatest interest and of wonderful importance to the cause of spreading Christianity among those he visited, and he told the Washington boys of the things he had seen and the work he had accomplished. His most important successes were in Japan, where he had been granted concessions to speak in the imperial universities, a privilege that had never before been accorded to the avowed advocate of any religion other than that of the country.

An interesting service, because it recalls the days when Washington was governed by a mayor and city council, as are other cities, was the unveiling of a memorial tablet Sunday, April 20th, in the Metropolitan Church, to the memory of the late Matthew G. Emery, once president of the church's board of trustees and the last mayor of the city of Washington.

HARTFORD UNION NOTES.

The Union expects to meet with the society at Unionville on Tuesday, July 1, going by trolley as last year. It is to be hoped that the directors will spread the news.

The last directors meeting held in Y. M. C. A. parlors was slimly attended, owing, no doubt to the short notice, necessitated by the word from Unionville that we come this month, but which was later found to be meant for the first part of July.

The 12th international convention of the Baptist young people of the United States and Canada will be held in Providence, R. I., July 10-13. It promises to be the greatest and best of all yet held. Speakers of national reputation will address the meetings, and a program of unusual interest has been provided. This will probably be one of the largest conventions ever held in New England.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS.

(From the Presbyterian C. E. Manual)

Sun., June 15. Topic—Why Total Abstinence is Best. Rom. 14: 13-23. (Temperance meeting.)

We should never put a stumbling block in any one's way nor do anything which may cause another to fall.

Even things not sinful should be given up if the doing of them would grieve or hurt another.

Eating and drinking are not the essential things; righteousness, peace, and joy, are.

If drinking wine, though harmless to ourselves, makes another stumble, love teaches us not to do it.

The temperance movement is a vital movement. Even people w o are not Christians recognize it as such. When the railroads demand that every engineer who enters their service shall be a total abstainer, the Church can hardly afford to pat the moderate drinker on the back.

Sun., June 22. Topic—Practical Humility. Matt. 23: 1-2; Isa. 57:15.

Pride assumes superiority and mastership over men and lacks sympathy and love.

Pride always wants people to see and know its good deeds.

Pride claims the prominent places everywhere and expects praise and honor from men.

Humility shrinks from earthly praise, that Christ may have all the honor.

Humility seeks to serve, not to be served; this is the attitude of true greatness.

Humility seeks not honor, but gets it, for he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.

Sun., Jun. 29. Topic—National Prosperity. Prov. 14: 34; Deut. 6: 10-13.

The true glory of a nation is not its wealth, its commerce, its armies, but righteousness.

Prosperity is dangerous in that it leads the people to forget God. "Beware lest thou forget the Lord."

We should do all we can to keep our nation true to God,—reverent, trustful and obedient.

The promised land which God gave to the Jews of old did not compare with the land which has been given to our nation. Never, in the history of the race, has so splendid a heritage fallen to any people as to us.

Our forefathers founded this nation in the fear of God. More religion, more education, alone can keep our land in the path of the fathers.

No nation can permanently prosper without God. No wealth can endure, no armies conquer, without his blessing. America needs the God-fearing, God-serving individual citizen to meet the problems of city, state, and national life. Are we in training for such citizenship.

Sun., July 6. Topic—The Father's Care. Matt 6: 25-34; Ps. 103: 13, 14.

Our life itself should be our first concern, not our food or our clothes.

Our Father's care for his little birds should assure us of his still more watchful care for his children.

The uselessness of worry shows the folly of it. Worrying effects nothing.

The God who clothes the flowers that fade in a day will more surely clothe his children.

The heathen may be excused for worrying, for they do not know our God, but for Christians it is inexcusable.

There is only one thing for us to do: the bit of God's will that comes for the hour, "his kingdom and his righteousness." God will add the rest.

WARBURTON CHAPEL.

A penny social on the evening of May 27, attracted a large number of friends to the chapel for an evening of pleasure, interest and bargains. Music was furnished by Mrs. H. D. Tracy and the summer choir, and the South School orchestra, under the leadership of Wm. D. Monnier. An admission fee of one cent was collected at the door, while within the chapel many booths, tastefully decorated, offered all sorts of wares, toys, pictures, flowers, candy, ornaments and the like, for the uniform price of a penny each. The fortune teller did a rushing business and was obliged to disappoint many would-be patrons because of the crowd.

Miss Adeline Pye planned the social and Miss. Olive Mahl was the fortune teller.

On Friday evening, May 30, the members of the sewing school gave a May party to their parents and friends. The entertainment consisted of singing, recitations and a May pole dance by members of the sewing classes who had been taught their parts by Miss Lizzie Holcomb, the sewing teacher, assisted by Mrs. Tracy. Miss Holcomb gave a report of the season's work and presented to the scholars their record cards which were white stars with gilt stars attached, the number of gilt stars indicating the number of times present at sewing school during the season. Refreshments were served by the members of the dressmaking class.

The regular Tuesday evening teachers' meetings have been discontinued for the summer, but the teachers' class which meets on Sunday before Sunday-school will continue as usual.

Flowers are furnished each Sunday by some class designated for that purpose the previous Sunday. The flowers for Childrens' Day were provided by Miss Rosella Hopkins' class.

The annual Sunday-school outing and picnic will be held at White Oak, Saturday, June 21.

SOUTH PARK METHODIST.

The Young Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Naomi Circle, has changed to an affiliated circle of King's Daughters, taking the name of "What soever Circle." They hope to do more work and better, although not neglecting the missionary work.

On Sunday evening, June 8, w held our Children's Day concert which was very enjoyable and showed careful work on the part of those in charge. The Children's Day offering amounted to over $35.

THE OPEN HEARTH.

Monday afternoon, May 1, will be long remembered as the opening day and reception at the new home of the Open Hearth, No. 73 Grove street, formerly known as the Hollister mansion. Superintendent Miller, Dr. Alton, L. P. W. Marvin, E. C. Perkins, J. F. Tracy and Rev. E. deF. Miel acted as a committee and visitors were shown all parts of the building and grounds. Mrs. Alton, Mrs. Miller, Miss Alton, Mrs. J. J. Goodwin, Mrs. J. F. Tracy and Miss Emily Morgan served tea in the spacious dining room, and from 2 to 6 o'clock the house and grounds were thronged with the friends of the institution. The arrangements gave great satisfaction and all felt that the great work of the Open Hearth would now, with the increased facilities, be carried on with renewed vigor and the superintendent and committee be enabled to realize their hopes for a prosperous and useful future.

The grounds are large and give opportunity for both flower beds and play grounds. The mothers and children have selected plots of ground which have been prepared for planting, and have planted seeds which are even now springing up. They come each day to tend and water them and the delight exhibited at the appearance of each tender shoot above the ground well repays for the work done.

The daily routine at the Open Hearth will no doubt interest our readers and is in brief as follows:

The bell rings for rising at 6 o'clock, when those who go out to work soon have the morning meal, and also those who are to work in the wood yard for lodging and meals.

At 7 o'clock the work in the wood yard begins and the men are busily engaged chopping the wood, which is sawed by motor power, into kindlings.

At 9 o'clock the bell rings for morning prayers and a short address is given by Superintendent Miller in the temporary structure which serves for the purpose until a permanent service room can be erected. The men who have worked for supper and lunch only, are then at liberty to look for work, or are sent to some place where application has been made for help to the office of the superintendent during the morning hours. Where application has been previously made the men are detailed over night and sent at any hour in the morning desired.

After prayers, Superintendent Miller can be seen at his office and until early noon the superintendent is busy hearing and counselling with those who come with all sorts of trials and troubles to him for advise. During this time those who work about the house are busy at their several employments, the beds are made, rooms swept, and all the other work of housekeeping gone through with in a systematic and thorough manner.

At 12 o'clock, and for an hour later, the substantial noon meal is served in the kitchen of the institution.

During the afternoon and early evening the sand yard, swings, croquet ground and gardens are filled with happy boys and girls, and their joyous laughter and happy faces makes a pleasant picture and bring delight to all.

At 6 o'clock the evening meal is served and at 7:40 the evening service is held. Superintendent Miller generally delivers the address which is suited to the needs of his hearers and the bright songs bring relief to many tired wanderers far away from home and loved ones. After the service, an hour or so is spent in consultation with those who desire aid of the superintendent, and in conversation or in the reading room by the men.

At 10 o'clock, or soon after, the men retire and soon silence prevails. And thus passes the day and thus the work goes on and each day brings its blessing and its cheer.

HARTFORD CHARITIES.

During the past month the Humane Society and the Open Hearth Association have each taken possession of new homes admirably adapted to their purposes.

The new consumptive ward of the Hartford Hospital was opened last month on Cedar Mountain. It now contains nineteen patients and has room for as many more.

The prevalence of scarlet fever in Hartford has led to the opening of a temporary hospital for its treatment in the old Sisson homestead on Sisson Ave. It is under the management of the St. Francis hospital and the Board of Health. It is expected that the building will be occupied later by the Sisters of the Good Shepherd as a home for the reformation of girls and young women.

One of the most attractive spots for a day's outing either for individuals or for large or small parties is Rainbow Park. It is easily accessible, and few places are better provided with natural attractions, chief among which is the Farmington river, which presents a fine appearance here. There is good boating and fishing in the river, and in the park itself are numerous other attractions. It is an ideal spot for Sunday-school picnics. For further information, address Mr. H. M. Snow, Rainbow, Ct.

WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

Plans are being made to secure a delegation from Hartford at the city conference of Y. W. C. Associations, to be held at Silver Bay, Lake George, July 8 to 16. It is hoped that a number of young women from this city may attend, and those who have been at these conferences in Northfield in past years feel assured that all who do not go will miss a great pleasure. The best speakers will address the meetings and conduct the daily Bible classes, and the afternoons are free for the many forms of recreation possible in a place of such wonderful natural beauty. Any young woman who thinks of attending the conference should apply soon at the Association rooms, 52 Church street.

The attendance at the lunch room has been doubled the past month, and the Saturday night suppers are proving very popular.

Most of the classes and clubs in the Girls' Branch have closed for the summer, the work of the next few month consisting largely of picnics.

WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

Our president, Mrs. C. B. Forbes, has recently conducted "Schools of Methods" in Putnam, Clinton, Waterbury and South Manchester. Reports of each were given at our meeting of last week showing them to have been both interesting and profitable. At South Manchester, Hartford Union was well represeted. The local Union adjourns until the first Tuesday in September.

THE SALVATION ARMY.

Since our last report we are glad to report progress. The local Salvation Army has started its industrial work in Hartford and is hopeful for its success. We have made our building at No. 33 Spruce street into a Shelter and Industrial Home for men, where, in the months of April and May, we gave shelter to some 750 men, also food and work to over 150 persons, and also disposed of about 600 or 700 articles of clothing, household goods, etc.

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Taken from "The Story of Marie Antinette" now Running in The Era Magazine.

On the 13th of January, 1770, the last note from the court of Vienna was despatched to Versailles, making known the satisfactory end of the nuptial negotiation, which had been going on for more than a year. In April congratulations began to arrive. On a prescribed day the Hungarian "noble guards" were admitted to kiss the hand of the archduchess; then followed the rector of the University of Vienna, who read an address in Latin, to which the complaisant archduchess made response in the same tongue and afterward admitted that she didn't understand a word of it. Day after day for weeks, dignitaries, military hierarchies, ambassadors and what not appeared in splendid trappings to salute the young bride. Then the empress announced by proclamation that her daughter was to be given in marriage to the Dauphin of France. A solemn audience followed in which the French ambassador in the name of the King of France asked for the hand of the archduchess. This ceremonial of bewildering splendor was witnessed by an army of princes and patricians. The ambassador, the Marquis de Durfort, marched solemnly to a dais where the Emperor Joseph stood and formally asked the hand of Madame the Archduchess Marie Antoinette; the same demand was made to the empress, and the consents being given, the radiant girl was summoned to the scene. Having made a profound reverence to her mother, and receiving her permission, the fiancee took from the hands of the ambassador a letter and portrait from the Dauphin; the portrait was attached to her necklace by the grand mistress of the household and the letter secreted in her corsage for private reading. Then the company filed into the court theater, where Marivaux's "Mere Confidene" was played, followed by a ballet composed for the occasion by Noverre, "Les Bereres de Tempe." The next day the fiancee, according to Austrian customs, appeared before the Imperial Council, and Prince Kaunitz, having read a formal renunciation of the hereditary succession, both paternal and maternal, the archduchess took the oath on the Bible, and henceforth had no standing as a claimant for the least of her mother's kingdoms or principalities. The next day in the Church of the Augustines, in such pomp as the imperial court had never before prescribed, the marriage by

Marie Antoinette.

proxy took place. The empress crowned and sceptered, led the bride, clad in cloth of silver, to the dais, where the Archduke Ferdinand waited, representing the Dauphin, all kneeling on tapestry prepared for the rite. The papal Nuncio Visconti pronounced the benediction and gave the rings. The Te Deum was then sung by two hundred voices, to the accompanient of cannon and musketry. The Austrian archduchess was now the Dauphine of France.

ADDITIONAL CHURCHES

TRINITY CHURCH.

Arrangements are being made for the annual Sunday-school picnic for Saturday, June 21, at White Oak Grove. Special cars will leave Sigourney street about 9 o'clock.

A feature of the day will be a ball game between the Sunday-school nine and that of Christ Church Sunday-school, who have challenged our boys again.

John Day has been chosen captain and J. Wilkes Rankin, manager of the team, and practice has already begun.

Thursday, June 19, there will be a stereopticon review of the lessons for the last term, the pictures being described by the rector. Admission free.

A delegation of fifteen attended the meeting of the Conn. S. S. Auxiliary at St. John's church, Waterbury, May 24. Addresses were made by Bishop Brewster and Rev. Dr. H. L. Duhring of Philadelphia. Very beautiful scenery was enjoyed on the branch road from Waterbury to Meriden on returning.

Rev. Harry Ogle, of Philadelphia, a graduate of Princeton, has been engaged as assistant to our rector, and is expected to be here at the Sunday services, June 15.

Rev. Mr. Bradin, of St. John's church, preached at the morning service, June 8.

After the Sunday-school session the same day a number of infants were baptized by the rector.

BLOOMFIELD CONGREGATIONAL

The table and chairs presented to the church at the Sunday-school anniversary in May, by Miss Julia D. Grant, will be used for the first time at the July communion.

A society to be called Home Workers was formed Saturday, June 7, at the home of Mrs. T. H. Burnham. It is intended to include all those girls and young ladies who are not members of the Ladies' Benevolent Society and will take up work in promoting good fellowship as well as in aiding any worthy cause.

Children's Day exercises were well attended Sunday, June 8, in spite of the rain. The decoration of the church was very effective. The children did nicely, almost without exception, and the singing was very creditable. Two children, Helen Elizabeth Loomis and Raymond Asher Wilcox were baptized. The address to the children was by the pastor on the topic of "Weeds."

A most instructive and impressive illustrated lecture on the Ober-Ammergau Passion Play was given at the church, Monday evening, June 9, by Rev. J. Edward Farron. The talk in connection with the views was intelligent and helpful.

Only one person connected with the Sunday-school has been removed by death during the past year. Mr. Jonathan Bidwell, who died in March, had been a member of the school more than seventy-five years.

The Endeavor Society will have sole charge of the sale of ice cream this year at the lecture room. The proceeds will probably go into the piano fund.

MEMORIAL BAPTIST.

Two more members have been added to our church during the past month, one by letter, the other by baptism.

On Tuesday, June 3, was held the semi-annual business meeting of the B. Y. P. U. The following officers were elected: Pres., Mr. F. C. Downs; vice-pres., Miss Alice O'Brien; recording sec., Miss Mabel Steeves; corresponding sec., Miss F. M. McKinney; treas., Mr. Herbert Myers.

Our pastor has been appointed as delegate to the B. Y. P. U. convention, soon to be held in Providence.

On Children's Sunday the regular morning service was devoted to the children's exercises and the Bible-

school session was ommitted. In the evening the annual Memorial Day of Troop A, was observed by appropriate exercises. The members of the company attended in a body.

Beginning with June 15, the young people's meeting and the regular evening service of the church will be combined into one service, commencing at 7 o'clock.

SOUTH PARK METHODIST.

On June 4, Mr. and Mrs. Macmillan entertained the Epworth League and their friends at the parsonage. A very pleasant time was enjoyed by all who attended. Our society has adopted the name of "Simpson Chapter."

On Mond y evening, June 9, the Woman's Home Missionary Society held an open meeting in Boardman chapel. After an interesting program ice cream and cake were sold, the proceeds from which are to be used to procure clothing and other needed articles for a Nebraska minister and his wife.

BLUE HILLS AVE. CHAPEL.

Those who have been interested with Mr. Edward D. Gaylord and Mr. Geo. B. Hawkes, in the Sunday evening services, wish them Godspeed as they go out to their new fields of work. Mr. Gaylord in his parish in Charlemont, Mass., and Mr. Hawkes in his more distant church in Canton, South Dakota. Messrs. Fuller, Seabury and Mather of the Seminary have supplied for them occasionally, each giving helpful sermons. Two weeks ago Mr. Ranney preached, his excellent sermon was missed by many who were kept at home by the severe shower.

The Sunday-school will observe Children's Day Sunday, June 15, with appropriate exercises.

Library books are needed, and a few weeks ago the Endeavor Society of Manchester gave an entertainment to increase the fund to be used for that purpose.

The Juvenile Temple is prospering, the meetings held on Saturday are well attended. Mrs. W. W. Stillman addressed the children a short time ago, and they will be glad to have her come again.

WINDSOR CONGREGATIONAL.

Children's Day was observed Sunday, June 8, and in accordance with our custom for the past few years, bibles were presented to the baptized children of the church who had reached the age of seven. Four children were baptized.

Sunday, June 1, the pulpit was occupied by Rev. Joel Ives, secretary of the Conn. Missionary Society. He also addressed the Endeavor meeting in the evening.

FARMINGTON AVENUE CONGREGATIONAL.

Children's Day was appropriately celebrated June 8. The decorations were in good taste and showed careful work. Three children were baptized.

The hour for meeting for the Chinese Sunday-school has been changed to 5 p. m. We still need more teachers.

The Y. P. S. C. E. meeting, on June 8, was led by Mr. Henry H. Goodwin and was exceedingly interesting.

The Sunday-school will picnic at Lake Compounce Saturday, June 14, going and returning by special trolley leaving Prospect Ave. at 8:40 a. m. Tickets, 50 cents.

Miss Mary Mather, a member of our church, and daughter of Deacon Mather, passed away recently after a lingering illness.

CENTER CONGREGATIONAL.

Our summer calendar is as follows:

Sundays: 10:45 a. m., Morning service. August 3, Communion.

Thursdays, 7:45 p. m., Social worship.

July 31, Preparatory Lecture.

Meeting of the Prudential Committee, Thursday, July 17, at 4:30.

Mr. Potter will be away during July and the first half of August. During that time Mr. Talmadge will preach. Both are always glad to respond to any calls for service and will be grateful if those knowing of sickness or need in the parish will report to them.

Telephone calls: Mr. Potter, 902-12. Mr. Talmadge, 1522-2.

The church is open daily from 9 until 5 o'clock.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER.

The Young People's Guild held an entertainment and strawberry festival Tuesday evening, June 3, which proved to be a very pleasant affair to those who attended, although the rain of the afternoon dampened the ardor of a great many who would otherwise have attended.

Sunday, June 8, was observed as Children's Sunday, and the morning service was well atteuded. The members of the Sunday-school occupied seats in the front of the church. Dr. Adams preached a sermon to the children, which was as well fitted for the ears of the older members of the congregation. At the session of the Sunday-school, lessons were cast aside and the time given up to a service in accord with the day. Rabbi Elkin, of the Synagogue, spoke to the children and his words were well appreciated. The choir of the church and Miss Maud Ellis rendered selections

The young people are looking forward to the annual picnic which is to be held June 21, the place not yet fully decided upon.

Several of the members of the Young People's Guild are making preparations to attend the annual convention to be held in Portland, Me., July 9-16.

WINDSOR AVE. CONGREGATIONAL.

Children's Day was observed Sunday, June 8. In the morning the pastor preached a sermon to the young people and in the afternoon the Sunday-school concert was held in the place of the regular vesper service.

The Sunday-school will hold its annual church picnic, Saturday, June 21, at Lake Compounce.

Friday evening the young ladies of Mrs. Peabody's Normal Bible Class will hold an ice cream sale on the parsonage grounds, the money raised to go to Berea College.

At the next meeting of the Christian Endeavor Society, officers for the ensuing six months will be elected.

The last teachers' tea of the season was held May 29. These teas have been very pleasant affairs and have proved a great help in the Sunday-school. They will be resumed in the fall, one being given every month.

FIRST BAPTIST.

Last Sunday was Children's Day in our Sunday-school, and a very interesting and appropriate service was held in place of the regular morning service. The decorations were profuse and tasteful.

The Circles of King's Dauhters of Hartford and Litchfield counties, recently held a convention in our chapel, at which articles made by the blind were on sale.

The pastor has been granted a three-month's vacation, beginning in July. He will spend his time in the Maine woods.

Miss Cora Smith has been re-engaged as the pastor's assistant for the ensuing year.

The many friends of Dr. Sage, one of our former pastors, will learn with regret of his illness at his home in Cincinnati.

The Steadfast Club entertained its friends on Friday evening, May 16, in a unique way. An invitation trip around the world was given in our chapel, and was thoroughly enjoyed for its novel and amusing features.

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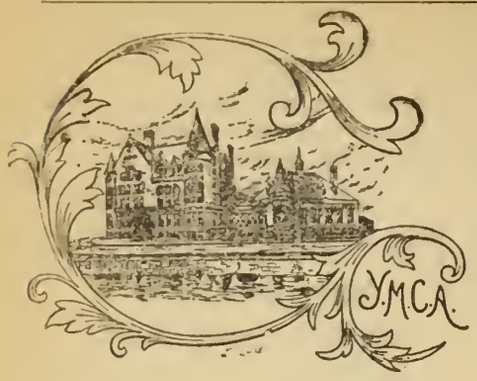

Y M. C. A. NOTES.

The Boys' Department will conduct a camp for members and other boys at Lake Swanzea, New Hampshire, July 9-30. During other years the Hartford Association has united with New Haven and other Associations in a state camp, but from now on an individual camp will be conducted for Hartford boys. The surroundings at Lake Swanzea are ideal for a boys' camp. The lake is over a mile wide and is very safe for boating, swimming, and supplies good fishing. It has a beautiful sandy beach where the water is shallow, affording a splendid opportunity for the boys to learn to swim without danger. Hills and mountains with an bundance of timber abound, providing numerous attractive outings from day to day. The camp will be in charge of Mr. Pomeroy, Department Secretary, assisted by Mr. Albert Goldsmith and Mr. S. Wales Dixon of the Physical Department, and there will probably be older boys to help in the oversight of the younger ones. The expense will be about $5 per week in addition to car fare.

During the month of June the men's gospel meetings are being conducted in the reception room, taking the character of a study service in which questions of vital importance to the lives of men are being considered.

The biennial conference of General Secretaries of North America, will be held this month at Mountain Lake Park, in Maryland, opening Wednesday, June 11th. Mr. Jacks, General Secretary and Mr. Gregg, Educational Secretary, will attend.

There is considerable activity in the Physical Department during the present month. Base ball games, tennis tournaments, hand ball court and general athletics, together with occasional wheel runs, give the young men plenty of sport.

The entertainment committe are making plans for a very strong entertainment course this coming winter. Preparations for an active winter in the Hillyer Institute and other departments are now being planned for.

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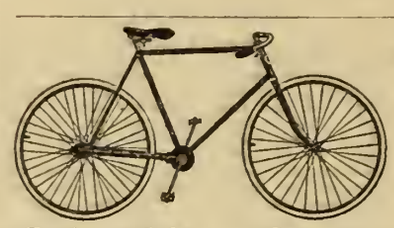

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The June Century is alike a man's and a woman's number.

For so-called business men there are articles on "Making Laws at Washington," a searching exposition of the machinery of Congressional action, by Henry Loomis Nelson, the well-known student of public affairs, with attractive pictures by Keller; on "Triumphs of American Bridge-Building," by Frank W. Skinner, with pictures of the most notable bridges built by Americans.

The Right Honorable James Bryce, M. P., has written specially for Success, an article of world-wide interest on the following subject: "How America May Avoid the Mistakes of Europe."

An especially timely feature in the June Woman's Home Companion is entitled "When The Pope Dies." Mr. Arthur Hoyt describes the ceremonies attendant on the Pope's death, and gives a short account of the Cardinals who are looked upon as candidates for the Papal Throne.

The Honor of the Braxtons. By J. William Fosdick. 305 pages 12 mo. New York: J. F. Taylor & Co. Price $1.50.

A story of student life in Normandy and the Latin Quarter. Three young American artists are the central figures in a romance not more interesting as a story than it is for its pictures of peasant life and life among the Paris students. The author knows his subject thoroughly having been a student at Julian's famous studio and having sojourned among the Norman fishing villages.

The love story which runs through the tale is one of beauty and realness, but the forceful dignified tone of the book gives it a more substantial interest than would apply to the average summer novel which now holds the center of the stage.

The illustrations, numbering over forty, are of special excellence and artistic value. One of them we reproduce on this page by courtesy of the publishers. It is from a photo of Victor Hugo taken about one year before his death. He is surmounted by a number of poor peasant children of Normandy to whom he had just given a banquet.

The Diary of a Goose-Girl. By Kate Douglas Wiggin. Boston: Houghton, Mifflin & Co. Price $1.00.

The "Goose-Girl" is an attractive young lady who, for rest and to escape the not altogether desired attentions of an importunate lover, retires to an English goose-farm. There she sojourns as a "guest" a *paying* guest, for the pride of the family forbids them to take "boarders." The young lady becomes interested in the geese and cares for them and enjoys the surprising things which she soon learns are their natural characteristics.

The story is much apart from the author's previous work, but it is amusing and healthful and so, well worth while. The illustrations are charming in their telling cleverness.

The Assassins. By N. M. Meakin. 426 pages, 12 mo. New York: Henry Holt & Co. Price $1.50.

This story of the Crusades has become well-known in a short time and much is heard of it. It is to be presumed that the actual sales of the book are consistent with its fame. The romance is related from the Eastern stand-point. Vivid indeed is the development of plot and counterplot, the picture of the torture chamber, the engines of war and destruction. The Old Man of the Mountains, his emissaries of death, and his walled towns, all are mysteriously real and impressive.

The machinery of wierdness is sometimes too apparent but if one is not hyper-critical the romance will thrill and interest while giving an unsurpassed contemporary picture of the Crusade days.

A Fool's Errand. By One of the Fools. (Judge Albion Tourgee). 521 pages, 12 mo. New York: Fords, Howard & Hulbert. Price $1.50.

This is a new edition of a remarkable novel. It is a tale of life in the South since the Civil War and while it has much of the bright humor of the people with whom it deals, it is more famed for its striking picture of the period when political passion evidenced itself in the Ku Klux Klan. It is a hideous recital in many respects. The author's reputation is only too surely a guarantee of the accuracy of his statements.

There is much to be said for the people of the South. They had much to bear after the war and it is but natural that they should have attempted retaliation. The author tries to be impartial. Only by reason of this fact has his book been hailed as "one of the greatest American novels ever written."

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It is doubtful if so excellent a field-book of wild flowers exists. Certainly this volume is perfectly adequate and wholly praiseworthy from all standpoints.

The True Aaron Burr. By Charles Burr Todd. 77 pages, 16 mo. New York: A. S. Barnes & Co. Price 50c.

It is likely that the reputation of Aaron Burr will be rehabilitated before the end of the present decade. It has been a slow work. Thanks to the influence of "Blennerhassett," Mr. Charles Felton Pidgin's novel, the work was well begun. Now it is ably supplemented by this very interesting and logically conceivd monograph prepared by a collateral descendant of Burr. Few defenses or vindications of recent years equal this small volume in strength and convincing qualities.

Captain Jinks, Hero. By Ernest Crosby. 393 pages, 12 mo. New York: Funk & Wagnalls Co. Price $1.50.

When powerful satirical writing had seemed to be banished from the earth it is surprising to realize the brilliancy and power of this work. When a writer attempts sarcasm he is likely to over-reach himself—to go too far. He cannot be strictly just or reasonable. That is the necessary fault of this romance.

There is altogether too much truth however, for the author to aim at. He misses no opportunity to express himself on the conduct of the military affairs of this country since the outberak of the Spanish-American War. Sam Jinks, the hero (?) of the tale is the victim, first, of a gift of toy lead soldiers, then of a boys' brigade and then of a course at "East" Point. Hazing at West Point is satirized severely. The romance is a witty and entertaining one and one profitable to read.

The Naturalness of the Chirstian Life. By Edward E. Keedy, B. D. 204 pages 12 mo. G. P. Putnam's Sons. Price $1.25 net.

The author who is pastor of the First Church in Hadley, Mass., offers this book as a help to right living to those who doubt the reality of the Christ and the Christ ideal.

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M'lle Fouchette. By Charles Theodore Murray. 398 pages, 12 mo. Philaelphia: J. B. Lippincott Co. Price $1.50.

This is a love story, primarily, but as the author believes that a novel shoul instruct as well as amuse, he conscientiously resided two years in the Quartier Latin in Paris, where the scenes of his story are laid, in order to give a proper setting for his romance.

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The book is well illustrated.

A Girl of Virginia. By Lucy Meacham Thruston. 306 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Little, Brown & Co. Price $1.50.

It is a vast relief, clever though the author of "Mistress Brent" is, to find that this is not a historical novel. The title suggests that idea, but it is a pleasure, instead of Red-Coats and Tories of diabolical intent, to have a dignified professor of the University of Virginia, his high-spirited, charming daughter, foot-ball players, etc., for the characters. A love affair, as real as it is interesting, runs through the story

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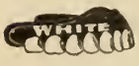

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My heart was sad, and my spirit had
A burden sore to bear.
But they led me to pray in their own grand way,
And I left my trouble there.

Great and green and calm were they,
And they bade me be at rest;
For God was above, and his wondrous love
In them was manifest;
And to me there came, at a tired child's claim,
A benediction blest.

"Faith," said the grasses soft and low.
Oh, but the sound was dear!
"Hope," said the light of the sunshine bright.
How could I choose but hear?
"Love," said each voice, "and so rejoice,
Child of the earth, nor fear."

I went my way from the great green fields,
And I left my sorrow there;
For they had taught my puzzled thought
The spirit of their prayer,
And I joyed to know that I could not go
Beyond our Father's care.

—The Sunday-School Times.

A Scotch deacon in passing the basket came to a man who shook his head. The deacon said, "Put in something." The man said, "I am too poor." "Then," said the deacon, "take out something, for we are taking up this collection for the poor."

THE CONNECTICUT HUMANE SOCIETY.

By Rev. W. DeLoss Love.

Some time since a group of boys at play saw a horse which could only go on three legs, driven through one of Hartford's residential streets. The decrepid animal was probably thinking that he hadn't a friend in the world; but he was mistaken. Those boys sent one of their number in haste to the home of the Connecticut Humane Society's general agent not far away. He was soon on the spot, but neither horse nor boys were there. At the next corner, however, a boy was seen beckoning and shouting at the top of his voice. When the agent reached him he exclaimed, "This is the way he went," pointing down the cross street. Another boy was found stationed at the second turn and still another further on, so the horse could be tracked. At length the heartless driver was overtaken, and as the agent drew near, he heard one of the crowd of boys who had followed the horse shout, "Mister, here comes the humane man, you had better stop." He did and the suffering animal was relieved.

This incident is very creditable to the boys. It shows their cleverness, but it is also indicative of the humane sentiments which prevail among the youth at the present time. Twenty-five years ago such an incident would never have transpired, and that for several reasons. There were humane people then, of course, but such sentiments were not general in any community. It has required a long and patient course of education to develop a public opinion which demands some interference in such cases. There were then certain laws in Connecticut against cruelty to animals, but they were rarely enforced both for lack of public interest and machinery adequate to the work. In respect to the cruel treatment of children or the neglect of aged or infirm persons the laws were wholly useless. Such cases were left to the pleasure of the town's selectmen who usually avoided any action if they could on account of the expense involved. Least of all would we have found in those days such kindness to animals as is now common among the children. In every group of youth to-day, at least in most of our Connecticut communities, there is always some boy or girl who will show friendship for the bird, cat, dog or horse in need. Human kindness is thoroughly believed in and taught in our public schools. So the young people have come to be counted among the most esteemed friends of the Connecticut Humane Society. Even the boys on the streets are so well-informed that they know where to go for the "humane man."

It was the personal interest of a young lady, Miss Gertrude O. Lewis of Hartford, which started the movement for the organization of this society. This was in 1880 and the birthday was the 22nd of November. The meeting was held in the rooms of the Young Mens Christian Association, then on the corner of Grove and Prospect streets. The late Rodney Dennis was the president of the society from its organization to his death, in 1899, and to him the credit is largely due for the society's growth. It has had, however, many distinguished friends, among them Drs. Burton and Walker, a goodly number of well-known business men, many of the most cultivated

ladies in the state, educators and professional men and clergymen of all denominations. The society has no religious affiliations whatsoever. It has received every encouragement from the state, and the governor is its first vice-president. Most of the states of the Union have such societies and among them all it is believed that none has a better organization or more influential constituency.

The objects of the Connecticut Humane Society are manifold. The upbuilding of a humane sentiment throughout the state is considered as fundamental. This is done by the dissemination of literature, the furtherance of education in our schools and the personal influence of its members. Much cruelty is prevented by this public opinion. The hope of so seasoning the popular mind that every person will be a law unto himself in human kindness is not vain. A deal of progress has been made in this direction and we shall see better results still when the generations which are now being educated in our public schools come to maturity. Still there are always some in a community who can only be reached by the law. It is the only power they fear. By so much as the respect for law can be impressed upon the depraved will cruelty be prevented. A driver in New Haven was recently seen beating his horses severely as he drove down the street. He was hailed by a woman from the sidewalk who told him to stop, and when he asked for her authority she showed him her card of membership in the society. He was satisfied and drove on. But when out of sight he resumed his cruelty. Then another woman raised a window and called to him. He stopped his team and shouted to her, "Be you another of those Humane Society women?" She told him she was and the woods were full of them. Thereupon he surrendered and went on his way. The knowledge that such fiends of animals are everywhere is one of the best means of preventing cruelty.

The suppression of all forms of cruelty come within the purposes of this society—cruelty to persons as well as animals, though the manner of dealing with each case depends upon the conditions. The beating of children, the neglect to provide them with proper food, clothing and care, or the ill-treatment of persons who are crippled, sick or aged, sometimes brings to light a dreadful tale of woe. Among animals, birds, cats and dogs are less likely to be ill-treated for they are usually pets. Cows cannot be neglected without lessening the income from them, though they are sometimes dreadfully starved, notwithstanding. But the horse—the most useful of animals—has a hard time of it. He grows old, gets lame, is over driven or over worked. He passes steadily down the scale of usefulness and so long as there is a dollar in him some one is trying to get it out. The book "Black Beauty, has been a revelation to multitudes of the miseries of a horse's life. Our foreigners who do a peddling business are quite apt to get the last chance at him. The Humane Society comes to the rescue of thousands of such sufferers.

In the practical performance of this society's work much is due to its widespread and complete organization. It has duly appointed prosecuting officers, agents scattered throughout the state and members everywhere. No case of cruelty anywhere in this commonwealth can remain long concealed; some one will report it and the informant is protected from publicity. Agents and members relieve many cases. Others are reported to headquarters—especially all of the worst sort. The society co-operates with, assists and is assisted by the regular machinery of government and law. But the work could never be successfully done except by an independent and thoroughly organized society. Its membership, extending to thousands, constitutes its body and its vitality is in their common interest. Any one can become a member and these are of various classes according to the amount they are able to contribute, but all have equal rights and privileges in the society. To every one a card of membership is given, convenient to be carried on the person. This card is, in most cases, a sufficient warrant to accomplish the purposes of the society with all fairly disposed persons who may need to be reminded of the duty of kindness to man or beast. In its new building on the corner of Grove and Prospect streets, Hartford, this society is permanently located. The work it has at heart is worthy of assistance and appeals to one of the noblest sentiments of mankind—kindness, a language which the dumb can speak, and the deaf can understand.

REV. JAMES GOODWIN.

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The Rev. James Goodwin, whose portrait appears on this page, is the son of Rev. and Mrs. Francis Goodwin of this city, and was born in Middletown, in 1865.

He was educated in the public schools of Hartford, and at St. Paul's School, Concord, N. H. He then entered Trinity College, Hartford, graduating in 1886, with the degree of B. A. After graduating he traveled abroad for some time, and then entered the General Theological Seminary in New York, whence he graduated in 1890 with the degree of B. D. After leaving the Seminary, Mr. Goodwin spent a year at Oxford University, in England.

Before coming to Hartford he has

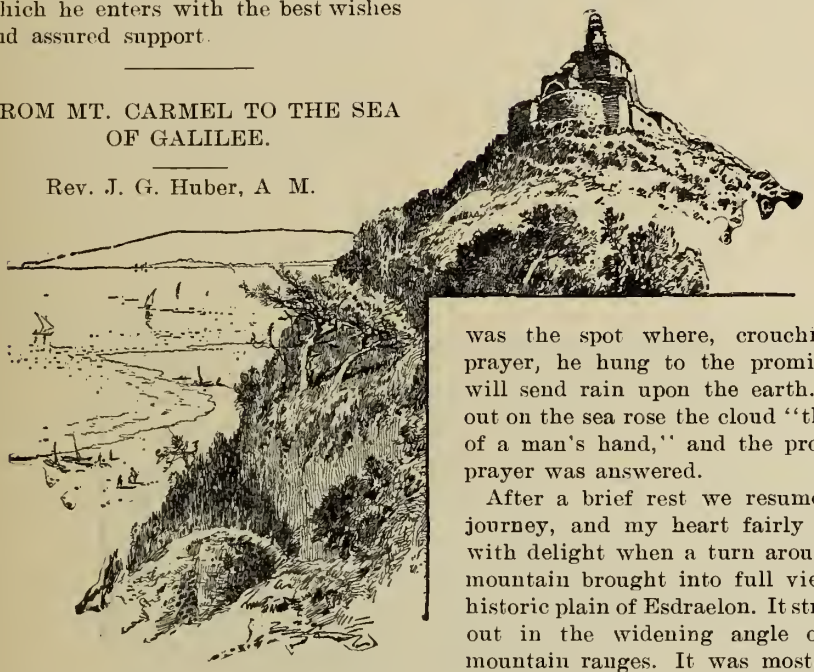
been Assistant Minister at Calvary Church, New York; Priest in charge of Saint Barnabas Mission, Berlin, N. H.; and Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Nashua, N. H.

From Nashua he came to Christ Church, Hartford, his ministry here beginning on Sunday, April 27, 1902.

Mr. Goodwin's training, experience and personality, alike fit him for effective work in his new charge, into which he enters with the best wishes and assured support.

FROM MT. CARMEL TO THE SEA OF GALILEE.

Rev. J. G. Huber, A M.



My heart overflows with gratitude that, after weeks of travel and years of planning, I am now on Canaan's sacred soil, and may feast my eyes on its hallowed scenes.

On one of nature's fairest mornings we dropped anchor at Haifa, off Mt Carmel, and had our first view of the Holy Land. There stood ancient Carmel, gray and rugged, jutting into the sea, and on to the east the mountains of Galilee, and eighty miles to the northeast, snowy Hermon, transfigured in the sunrise glow.

As our little sail-boats neared the shore there were many throbbing hearts and tearful eyes, and I could understand why the pilgrims of eighteen centuries have come to this land with tender and reverent emotions.

Haifa is the seaport for northern Palestine, having a population of about 2,000. Here carriages were waiting for us, and soon started us toward Nazareth. The road led along the base of the Carmel range, and was excellent. The drivers were eager to show their skill and daring, and made very real the scripture passage, "And Jehu drove furiously." But there was no accident. We hurried along the brook Kishon, crossed the narrow stream, and passed up by Harosheth, the home of Sisera, whom Barak and Deborah defeated on Mt. Tabor in the days of the Judges.

We took lunch under an ancient and spreading oak, in full view of the mount of sacrifice, where Elijah called down fire from heaven. Up yonder was the place of the altar, below was the stream of Kishon, once crimson with the blood of the priests of Baal, while out on the range toward the sea was the spot where, crouching in prayer, he hung to the promise, "I will send rain upon the earth." Far out on the sea rose the cloud "the size of a man's hand," and the prophet's prayer was answered.

After a brief rest we resumed our journey, and my heart fairly leaped with delight when a turn around the mountain brought into full view the historic plain of Esdraelon. It stretches out in the widening angle of two mountain ranges. It was most interesting for the first time to see the Syrian farmers scratching the ground with their primitive wooden plows drawn by oxen, the shepherds with their flocks of sheep and goats, and the herdsmen keeping apart their droves of cattle, as when Abraham and Lot dwelt in the land.

The mountains are literally covered with rocks, but trees and shrubbery abound upon them, while the valley offers a bright prospect for harvest. As the plain of Esdraelon merges into the plain of Jezreel, the outlook widens, and for natural beauty as well as historical grandeur it is almost unparalleled. Here more battles have been fought than on any plain on the surface of the globe. The reddish-brown soil has been enriched by the blood of all nations. I could scarcely believe that this lovely landscape, now submitting patiently to the crude tilling of peasants clad in quaint home-spun, has often trembled under the marching and clashing of mighty armies.

Our road led through a village of low, mud-plastered houses, and the whole population was out to greet us with cries for "*bakshish.*" The women were sitting on the ground in groups, or standing holding little uncared-for babies. Children of all sizes and sorts lined along the road and followed the carriages with outstretched hands, crying for a "gift," a "gift!" and the men were lazily lying or standing about, a collection of wretched, blighted creatures deserving of sincerest pity and sympathy. They live in poverty, rags and filth, without schools or comforts. For the most part they are Mohammedans, but their religion has done nothing for them, nor has the Turkish government, except to impoverish them more and more each year. When you see the inhabitants of one village, you have seen them all. The only difference is that the condition of the last is worse than the first. It is certainly essential at the outset to disconnect the present state of the people from the sacred and glorious past.

Nazareth is a city of white stone houses, inclosed by fifteen crumpled hills. On the slopes of one of them is the fountain of the Virgin Mary.

In the Greek and Latin churches we were shown the place where the angel appeared to Mary, and the kitchen in which she prepared the family meals. You take these as traditions, and nothing more, but surely His feet walked those streets, and his eyes rested on those hills, and, doubtless, his mother often brought him to the village fountain that bears her name, as mothers to-day come, with their children, to this same fountain to obtain their daily supply of water for their households.

The site of Joseph's carpenter shop is pointed out. Its location is the merest conjecture, but we are sure that somewhere near he made the simple wooden plows and yokes used in the fields about the city.

Back of Nazareth rises a ridge which affords one of the most extensive panoramic views in Palestine. To the north is snow-covered Hermon; beyond Jordan the heights of Gilead; to the south Gilboa and Ebal, and the plain of Jezreel, and out on the west Mt. Carmel and the Mediterranean Sea. The villages of Endor, Nain, Jezreel, Shunem, and Jenia are all in plain view, while some think they can catch a glimpse of the Sea of Galilee. Your tear-filled eye takes in this majestic sweep, and you wonder if His gaze did not sanctify those mountains and reach across the great sea and rest upon the generations unborn, who should people the eastern Hemisphere.

When near the end, He lifted up his eyes to heaven and said, "Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word."

Our tents were pitched on the general threshing floor, a wide and level space in the center of the basin in which the village is situated. This ground has been used for this purpose

for centuries, and may have been the very spot in use in our Lord's day.

By six o'clock on Friday morning we had eaten breakfast, chosen our horses, and mounted ready for the journey to Tiberias and the Sea of Galilee. The horses were fresh and eager, and between horse and rider there was, in some cases, at least, a natural feeling of restlessness This wore away with acquaintance and practice, and after the second day the saddle became a positive luxury. I regret, however, that my suspicions wore off a little too early, and in an unguarded moment I was not on—horse-back. Wisely choosing a soft place to light upon, I escaped unhurt, and was on my feet in an instant. Others were not so fortunate. One stout lady took an involuntary leap into a pile of rocks, face downward, and was badly bruised.

VIEW OF NAZARETH.

But no bones were broken, and we were all thankful.

To the Sea of Galilee on horseback! By way of Cana and under the horns of Hattin—how romantic and exhilarating! Up and down stony mountains across fertile vales and through wheat fields and olive groves,—a vast landscape of green and gray, inlaid with myriads of many-colored flowers that shone like gorgeous Persian rugs in the splendid sunlight. Then suddenly to see on ahead of you, spread out like a sheet of polished silver, the best-loved sea in all the world! It was a moment of uplift of soul and benediction never to be outlived. The heart warms with every step that brings you nearer its blue waves, and there steals over you a sense of peace and joy, unutterable sweetness.

We took lunch outside the ancient town of Tiberias, on the western shore of the lake. The city was built or rebuilt by Herod Antipas, and named after the Emperor Tiberius. Remains of towers and traces of the ancient wall that extended three miles along the shore may still be seen. I believe no mention is made of a visit of our Savior to this city, but he must often have come near it, and looked upon the magnificent buildings that then filled the recesses of the hills, as he sailed back and forth across the lake.

Our program included a boat ride across to the site of the cities where most of his mighty works were done, and most of his gracious words were spoken. Eight of us entered a small fishing boat, and four strong oarsmen rowed us out into the deep. The blue waves were asleep, and the sea was perfectly calm. But we had not gone far when a breeze from the northeast struck our faces. It was most refreshing, and made the sailors smile. Looking ahead, we could see the white-caps coming rapidly toward us. The sun was shining brightly, but we had been warned of sudden squalls, and some of the party began to look solemn. The billows became higher, and the spray dashed over us into the boat. Our boatmen were Arabic Mohammedans, and we could not understand a word they said. But their conduct was assuring. They unfurled the sail and looked pleased. After a time, the wind abated, and we landed safely on the other side. It was a thrilling and suggestive experience. If a little breeze could so stir the sea, how must a storm heave and lash its blue waters!

Every foot of ground about the sea of Galilee is invested with sacred interest. Crossing toward the entrance of the Jordan, to your left, is Magdala, the home of Mary Magdalene, a small village in which her traditional tomb still stands. A little farther on is the fertile plain of Gennesaret where populous Capernaum stood. Here grows the oleander and wild flowers in profusion, and green fields of grass andgrain, but no dwelling can be seen. Then comes the sites of Bethsaida, in a niche along the shore, still beautiful in its desolation because graced by a few cypress trees and palms. Farther still toward where the Jordan enters is the modern village, Te-Hum, the place of Chorazin. Here, in the midst of a beautiful garden of fruit trees and vegetables is a Franciscan monastery. The monks, with difficulty, purchased a few acres of ground from the Turkish government some years ago, and are improving it handsomely. Over against Tell-Hum, on the northern coast, are the mountains where Jesus often went to pray, and near the shore is the desert where he fed the five thousand. To the south is the cliff where the swine rushed into the sea.

You can close your eyes amid these hallowed scenes and see Him move among the multitudes, healing the sick, casting out devils, opening the eyes of the blind, cleansing the lepers, calming the sea by a word, walking upon the waves to rescue his alarmed disciples, speaking the gracious beatitudes, giving rest to the wearied and laboring, and calling to life the little daughter of the ruler of the synagogue.

I cannot close without adding a few words regarding the Christian work done in the places named in this paper. At Tiberias there is a flourish-

ing Protestant mission, with hospital and school. It has elegant buildings of gray limestone, and is doing a noble work. At Cana there is an old Greek church and a Latin church, now in process of enlargement, but these seem to be lifeless. In the room of a plain stone dwelling we met a German-speaking Syrian girl, a missionary from Jerusalem, surrounded by a dozen or more little girls and boys, whom she was teaching letters, sewing, music, and religion. That solitary teacher is doing more to civilize and Christianize the little village where Jesus wrought his first miracle than the two somewhat imposing churches and the sleek monks who serve them.

On the highest ridge overlooking Nazareth is an English Protestant mission, where seventy girls, ranging from eight to sixteen, are being trained for a useful Christian life. Their bright faces and clean, neat dresses place them in striking contrast with the neglected children seen in the streets. It was touching to hear them sing "Galilee," and "Jesus of Nazareth passes by," and answer promptly the questions put to them by one of or party.

The mission is roomy and well furnished, and affords a delightful home for these fortunate girls who are chosen out to be educated here. A Protestant school in every village would in a short time revolutionize the domestic and social life of this degraded people. May God hasten the day when the Turk will lose his power, and Christian nations will introduce the elements of our civilization.

A DARK BROWN TASTE.

President Jordan, of Stanford University, California, recently dismissed from the university a number of students who were guilty of drunkenness. In his remarks on that occasion he said: "My worst criticism against you, and the one that applies to the greatest number, is this, that I find some carelessness as to the honor of the university. When a Stanford man enters a saloon, a gambling room or a place of evil, and carries with him his colors, his college or his name, he brings disgrace upon himself, his college and his family. Perhaps you do not think the saloon should be included in the category of dishonor. I believe that the only melancholy that wine can drive away is that which wine itself has caused. There is no joy that leaves a dark brown taste in the mouth. A college fraternity that is centered around a champagne bottle is a public nuisance.—Telescope.

GLENWOOD CONGREGATIONAL.

As is our custom, services are continued during the summer months, both morning and evening, the latter service being held at 6 p. m., out of doors, weather permitting. All are most cordially invited to attend whose church home does not hold evening services.

The Sunday-school held its annual picnic, June 28, going to South Glastonbury. About 130 went.

The pastor has been absent for two Sundays, June 15 and 22. Mr. Roberts delivered the sermons in his absence.

Mr. Dunlap, who officiated at the organ, has left for a vacation and Miss Ruloff has taken his place.

It was with deep regret that we learned that Mr. and Mrs. Hastings were to remove to Orange, N. J., where Mr. Hastings has accepted a responsible position with the Edison Company. Both are young people and charter members of the church and highly esteemed and respected. Mr. Hastings has been superintendent of the Sunday-school for two years, also president of the Board of Trustees for a like period. Mrs. Hastings has had charge of the infant department for a number of years. A reception was tendered them on June 27, at which time they were presented with the picture, "A Little Child Shall Lead Them," in acknowledgement of the love and esteem in which they were held by all. We wish them all prosperity and happiness in their new home.

It is pleasing to note that the Sunday-school membership keeps up so well during the summer. Mrs. Sexton is taking charge of the infant department until a regular appointment has been made by the school.

ASYLUM AVE. BAPTIST.

June 15 was observed as Children's Sunday.

June 29, twelve graduated from the primary department to the intermediate, each receiving a diploma.

Recently three have united with the church.

At our business meeting it was decided to discontinue our Christian Endeavor meetings during August.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN.

Children's Day was observed in our church Sunday, June 8. The pastor, Rev. W. W. Breckenridge, preached in the morning on "the church's care for the children," and special exercises were held by the Sunday-school in the afternoon. A service entitled "The King of Glory" was rendered by the children, and Mr. W. H. Hall of West Hartford, made an address. Prizes and certificates were given to the scholars who were advanced from one department to another.

A "Rubber Social" was given by the Young People's Association Tuesday evening, June 10. The admission fee was some article of old rubber. A pleasant evening was spent in a social way. Ice cream and strawberries were served.

At the Communion service held July 6, four new members were received into the church, making fifty-two in all since last August, thirty-eight being on confession of faith.

The annual picnic of the Sunday-school was held Friday, July 11. Special cars took the school and teachers to Laurel Park, where a very pleasant day was spent.

Repairs have been in progress on the interior of the parlors and chapel of the church for some time. The rooms have been repainted and the wood work refinished.

The Sunday-school plans to give a lawn social Wednesday evening, July 23, for the benefit of the school. The committee in charge have arranged a very unique and interesting entertainment.

The pastor plans to remain in the city until the third week in August, and will occupy the pulpit each Sunday morning. The church will be closed the last two Sundays of August. The Sunday-school will be arranged in two classes for the month of August and teachers provided for each Sunday.

MEMORIAL BAPTIST.

During the summer months we have but one service on Sunday evening. These meetings are in charge of the B. Y. P. U., and thus far have been quite well attended. On the last Sunday in June, Mr. Gregg of the Y. M. C. A., was with us, and we had a very interesting service in spite of the rain.

On July 6, the ordinance of baptism was administered when two more were added to our number.

The Rev. J. B. Connell preached at our morning service on July 13, in the absence of our pastor, who was at the B. Y. P. U. Convention in Providence. Mr. Day of the First

Baptist church spoke to us in the evening.

The boys from the Orphan Asylum are with us again for the summer. We are always glad to see them.

SOUTH PARK METHODIST.

During the month of July and August the evening services are consolidated, taking the form of a vesper service from 6:30 to 7:30, with special music and a short address by the pastor. Sunday evening, July 6, a special praise service was held which was greatly enjoyed.

The "church garden" on the plot of land back of the chapel, is progressing finely. Flowers are provided in lavish quantity for church decoration and also for distribution among the sick. The garden is under the direction of H. D. Hemenway of the School of Horticulture.

The ladies of the Woman's Home Missionary Society recently held an open meeting and cake sale, for the benefit of a minister on the frontier in Nebraska. A fine box was sent, also a goodly sum of money.

CENTER CONGREGATIONAL.

Our pastor, Rev. Rockwell Harmon Potter, is now taking his usual summer vacation and the pulpit is being ably filled by the Rev. Elliott Frord Talmadge.

After a very successful year the Sunday-school and Young People's Society, have discontinued their services for the summer. These services will be resumed about the middle of September.

SOUTH BAPTIST.

The members of our church and their friends gave an excursion July 4th, on the tug Sachem, to Greenport, L. I., and Shelter Island. The day could not have been better and all enjoyed the sail greatly Basket lunches were in order, and ice cream and soda were for sale on the boat.

Our pastor, Rev. Frank Dixon, is on a lecture tour in the South. His pulpit was filled June 29, by the Rev. Geo. H. Ferris, and July 6, by Rev. G. B. Culten, both of New Haven.

Our hospital services are not neglected, as quite a number were present last Sabbath. We shall be glad to have others unite with us in this service of song and prayer at 3:15 p. m., Sundays, unless severe cases prevent same being held. Bring flowers, papers or other acceptable articles if you are able.

Miss Amanda Haviland, our delegate to the B. Y. P. U., in Providence, now in session, is being entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Jamieson of that city, our former president and his wife. The Men's League of this church gave their last social, until fall, in the parlors of the church, June 17. The ladies were invited and a most delightful evening was spent.

Mr. Newton Larkum gave several good recitations and Miss Marion Williams sang, accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Grace Naylor. Mrs. Gilbert and Mrs. Thompson played several piano duets and Mr. Laraway sang. The Messrs. Hadlock, Rogers and Tucker played the banjo, guitar and mandolin. Cream, cake and fruit lemonade was served.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

The rector, Rev. Jas. W. Bradin, has changed his residence from 6 Park Terrace to 84 Vernon street. He will continue to be at home Monday evenings when he will be very glad to see any members of the parish or others who wish to call upon him.

Evening prayer will be said at 5 p. m. as usual during the first two Sundays in July, but it will be omitted during the remainder of the month as well as the month of August.

The Sunday-school enjoyed its annual picnic Monday, June 30. A start was made from the church at half past eight for Laurel Park, and the day was thoroughly enjoyed. The weather was fine and all report having had a happy day.

The Knights of Pythias held their annual service at St. John's Sunday evening June 22, at which time a sermon was preached by the rector from Ephesians iv. 25. There was a large gathering.

On Sunday, June 8, the rector preached in Trinity Church in exchange with Mr. Miel.

FIRST METHODIST.

The Connecticut Chautauqua Assembly will meet at Plainville, Conn., July 17, and will end July 30.

The camp meeting opens its first session August 1, at Plainville.

Quite a number of our church people are away for the summer. Mrs. M. E. Keyes, with a party, left for Canada, Monday, July 14, visiting many points of interest and returning in October.

Rev. Dr. McCormick arrived safely at Liverpool, Wednesday, July 9.

OLIVET BAPTIST.

Our Sunday-school gave its annual picnic at Laurel Park, Thursday, July 10. In spite of the stormy weather during the forenoon a very pleasant time was enjoyed by all who attended.

On Sunday, July 13, we had the pleasure of listening to Mr. Kohler, a graduate of Rochester University.

We are in hopes of having a pastor in the near future.

FOURTH CONGREGATIONAL.

Our pastor landed about two weeks ago in Liverpool. He will spend July in Scotland and during August will travel through England and Belgium. Before his departure from home he was presented with a purse of $500 by his parish and friends outside the congregation.

The C. E. Society meetings, held Monday evenings as a rule, will, for a time, unite with the Thursday evening prayer meeting.

July 6, a patriotic musical service was held under the direction of Mr. Sleeper, aided by the Odeon Male Quartette and Mr. Marc Schaeffer. There was an unusually large audience.

The woman's meetings are discontinued during July and August.

Rev. H. B. Roberts preached on July 13, Rev. Mr. Ranney will preach July 20 and Rev. Mr. Peabody on July 27.

FARMINGTON AVENUE CONGREGATIONAL.

This church will be kept open through the summer. The services will not be conducted after the 20th by the pastor, as he goes on his vacation, which continues till September 1.

During the latter part of July, Rev. Frank Shipman and Rev. Dr. Burnham, of St, Louis, will occupy the pulpit at the Sunday morning services.

FIRST BAPTIST.

Rev. Rush Rhees, President of Rochester University, preached for us the first two Sundays in the month; the Rev. Henry Clarke of Bristol, preached on the 20th and Rev. T. Edwin Brown of Franklin, Pa., will preach on the Sunday coming.

There is much interest in our church in the Baptist Young People's Union Convention, held at Providence this year.

The pastor left July 1, for his vacation, which, with his family, he is to spend in the Maine woods near Moosehead Lake.

The regular quarterly meeting of the Young People's Association was held June 17.

On June 15, Mr. Gage of the Yale Missionary Band, spoke to the Young People's Association about the confer-

ence to be held at Lake George for young people engaged in missionary work.

Arrangements are being made for our annual Sunday-school picnic, to be held at Laurel Park, July 23.

GRACE CHURCH, WINDSOR.

For the next four Sundays the rector will be away on his vacation. Sunday services will be conducted as usual, except that the Sunday-school will be closed during his absence.

The Friday evening services will be omitted also during the same period.

Rev. Mr. Bucks of Winsted, will conduct services during the rector's vacation, which he and his family will spend in Burke Haven, N. H.

WETHERSFIELD BAPTIST.

Our pastor, Rev. Mr. Elsden, is very ill with rheumatism and malarial fever. His son, Mr. James Elsden, from Chicago, is supplying the pulpit.

The young people have enjoyed their ice cream social this month as usual.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

The Sunday-school picnic at Laurel park was a great success.

The Sunday-school and the rector take a vacation during the month of August.

The morning and evening services are continued at the usual hours during the summer.

Holy Communion is celebrated at noon the first Sunday in the month.

DID I FORGET?

My boy went off to bed last night without his usual "Good-night." There came to me memory of the "Good-night, good-night, good-night, mother," of his early childhood, so sweet, so persistent, so love-assuring. Why did he forget last night? Why did I care? Is there meat and drink in a good-night? Did I need it to keep me warm? Why care?

The glass turns. I see myself now. Did I forget? Did a lovingly and persistently repeated "Good-night," I thank thee," and "Forgive me," go out to my Father before I slept? If so, was it as soulful, as earnest, as tender as it used to be in the earlier years. Did I forget, and did he care? Is our Father just as pleased with our remmberful good-nights and good-mornings as we are with those of our children? We must not forget!—The Advance.

THE STAYING POWER.

Almost anyone can make a strong effort now and then. But the truly strong person is the one who can add effort to effort, endure, persevere, hold fast. The hero's power is the staying power.

The heroes of the Bible held the secret of endurance. Abraham's faith endured even on the way up Mount Moriah; Moses endured through years of wandering; Elijah endured through long persecution.

There is no secret of endurance today. The ship casts out her anchor, and when it holds on the solid rock she is safe. The Rock of Ages is our safety, and in its strength we endure any storm.

HE KNEW ABOUT NOAH.

A certain Western statesman, in making a speech one day, complimented Daniel Webster, referring, among other things, to his dictionary. A friend on the platform caught the statesman by the skirt of the coat and told him in a low voice that it was Noah that made the dictionary.

"Noah!" exclaimed the statesman; "stuff and nonsense! Noah built the Ark!"

HE HAD A GIRL.

One of the churches in a little Western town has a young woman as its pastor. She was called to the door of the parsonage one day, and saw there a much embarrassed young farmer of the German type.

"Dey say der minister lifed in dis house," he said.

"Yes," replied the fair pastor.

"Vell—m—I—I want to kit merrit!"

"To get married? Very well, I can marry you," said the minister, encouragingly.

"Oh, but I got a girl alreaty," was the disconcerting reply.—Brooklyn Life.

Any effort to try to further the cause of civic righteousness is missionary work, and the effort to see that the Indians get a square deal is, at any rate, an adjunct to missionary work. I spent twice the time I intended to, because I became so interested in it that I began to travel all over the reservations to see what was being done, especially by the missionaries, because it needed no time at all to see that the great factors in the uplifting of the Indians were the men who were teaching the Indian to be a Christian citizen. When I came back I wished it had been in my power to convey my experiences to those people—often well-meaning people—who speak about the inefficacy of foreign missions. I think if they could have realized but the tenth part of the work that had been done, they would understand that no more practical work, no work more productive of fruit for civilization, could exist than the work being carried on by the men and women who give their lives to preaching the gospel of Christ to mankind.—Roosevelt.

A curious deduction from the late census tables shows that the average American is five feet eight inches in height, is one-eighth negro, owns an estate worth five thousand dollars, has $150 in the bank, and enjoys an annual income of $750 for a family of five. Prosperous man! Wait until you hear the rest. His family consumes seven and one-half gallons of spirits and wine and seventy-five gallons of beer annually. That is why we see old hats stuffed in his windows and rags on his children.—C. E. World.

Mr. Evarts told Lord Coleridge, when they were at Mount Vernon, the legend of Washington throwing a dollar across the Rappahannock. "But," objected Coleridge, "the Rappahannock's a broad stream." "Yes," retorted Mr. Evarts, "but a dollar went further in those days." At a dinner party this story was praised as Mr. Evart's best. "Oh," said Mr. Evarts, modestly, "I don't say all the good things credited to me. Now what I might have said was that it was not so strange George Washington threw a dollar across a river since he threw a sovereign across the sea."—Philadelphia Record.

I have seen a branch tied to a bleeding tree for the purpose of being ingrafted into its wounded body, that thus both might be one. Yet no incorporation had followed; there was no living union. Spring came singing, and with her fingers opened all the buds; and summer came with her dewy nights and sunny days, and brought out all the flowers; and brown autumn came to shake the trees and reap the fields, and with dances and mirth to hold the "harvest-home"; but that unhappy branch bore no fruit, nor flower, nor even leaf. Just held on by dead clay and rotting cords, it stuck to the living tree, a withered and unsightly thing. So also is it with many who have a "name to live and are dead."—Thomas Guthrie.

When any one was speaking ill of another in the presence of Peter the Great, he would shortly interrupt him and say, "Well, no; but has he not a bright side? Come, tell me what have you noticed excellent in him? It is easy to throw mud; but I would rather help a man keep his coat clean."—Sel

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HUMANE SOCIETY WORK.

It is not many decades ago since those who pleaded for more humane treatment of animals, and who attempted to form societies for spreading and enforcing their ideas, were ridiculed as cranks. Education along humane lines, and practical accomplishments, have changed all this, and now a person is considered morally deficient who is indifferent to the matter, or worse, who is himself an offender.

Cruelty to animals is not an offense confined by any means to those of a coarse moral fibre. It arises often from indifference or ignorance on the part of many who would be shocked at open cruelty.

Many tender hearted women who would protest at the unmerciful beating of a horse, go away for the summer leaving a cat or canary behind to starve. Or their millinery bill includes the price of a slaughtered bird.

Many men of supposed refinement do not hesitate to dock their horse's tails, or check them up unmercifully.

Vivisection, of some scientific value, doubtless, is pursued without any restraint, though involving horrible cruelty to its victims.

Domestic animals are subject to neglect and abuse in many ways, often unintentionally, but none the less real to them.

The Humane Society is established to correct these abuses. By education so far as it can, and also by the punishment of offenders.

The Connecticut Society has accomplished a splendid work, and its results are manifest to any careful observer. But it's a work which must go on, and which relies for co-operation on the part of every individual who is humanely disposed. Help it with your purse if you can, but by all means neglect no opportunity to prevent cruelty to, or relieve the distress of, our animal friends. And see to it, that you are not, yourself, an offender, either by your own actions or by your acquiescence.

I would not enter on my list of friends,
Though graced with polished manners
and fine sense,
Yet wanting sensibility, the man
Who needlessly sets foot upon a worm.
—Cowper

ROOSEVELT ON THE BIBLE.

In connection with the anniversary celebration of the Epworth League, at Baltimore, President Roosevelt, with a number of other prominent men, was asked to contribute to a symposium on the "Kind of men the world stands most in need of." Each one was expected to send only some little word, but Mr. Roosevelt, in speaking of the man who chooses the Bible as his guide, made a contribution that really amounts to an exposition of the book as the best foundation on which to build rules of conduct.

The President, in the reply which he sent, said: "Every thinking man, when he thinks, realizes what a very large number of people tend to forget. that the teachiugs of the Bible are so interwoven and entwined with our whole civic and social life that it would be literally—I do not mean figuratively, I mean literally impossible for us to figure to ourselves what life wold be if those teachings were removed. We would lose almost all the standards by which we now judge both public and private morals; all the standards toward which we, with more or less resolution, strive to raise ourselves. Almost every man, who has by his life work added to the sum of human achievement of which the race is proud, of which our people are proud, almost every such man has based his life work largely upon the teachings of the Bible.

"You may look through the Bible from cover to cover and nowhere will you find a line that can be construed as an apology for the man of brains who sins against the light. On the contrary, in the Bible, taking that as a guide, you will find that because much has been given to you much will be expected of you and a heavier condemnation is to be visited upon the able man who goes wrong than upon his weaker brother who cannot do the harm that the other does because it is not in him to do it.

"I plead, not merely for training of the mind, but for the spiritual and moral training that have always been found in, and that have ever accompanied the study of this book; this book which in almost every civilized tongue can be described as 'the Book' with the certainty of all understanding you when you so describe it.

"The immense moral influence of the Bible, though, of course, infinitely the most important, is not the only power it has for good. In addition there is the unceasing influence it exerts on the side of good taste, of good literature, of proper sense of proportion, of simple and straightforward writing and thinking.

"This is not a small matter in an age when there is a tendency to read much that even, if not actually harmful on moral grounds, is yet injurious, because it represents slipshod, slovenly thought and work; not the kind of serious thought, of serious expression, which we like to see in anything that goes into the fiber of our character."

Our Washington correspondent writes of two governmental acts which have more than a local interest, the first being the receipt by Secretary Shaw of the Treasury Department, of the contract signed by the directors of the St. Louis Fair pledging themselves not to "operate the Fair on any Sunday at any time." The bill providing for this was framed by the Reform Bureau Washington, and the $5,000,000 government appropriation for the Exposition was available only on condition that this contract was signed. The other matter was connected with Washington city government and is a signal victory for the temperance forces of that city. The District of Columbia bill recently passed by the Senate increases annual liquor licenses from $400 to $800, and temperance advocates are rejoicing over a measure which puts more difficulties in the way of retail liquor traffic.

Representative Eugene F. Loud of California, chairman of the House Committee on Postoffices and Post

Roads, points out a temperance development in connection with the system of rural free delivery which he is doing so much to foster, and which has been his hobby during his fourteen years in Congress. It has been called to his attention in various ways and from many sources and, he says, particnlarly from his own state, that the establishment of the free delivery system has materially decreased the consumption of spirits in country towns, as the farmers do not have to go to the towns for mail, and therefore are not brought so much in contact with the "corner saloon," where companionship often leads a man into temptation. This indirect benefit from rural delivery is an additional warrant for the establishment and extension of the service.

There being no International Christian Endeavor Convention this year, other states besides Pennsylvania are putting extra force into their state conventions. One of which more will be heard later is the All New England covention, to be held in Tremont Temple, Boston, October 14-17. Eight or ten thousand delegates are being planned for, and the committee has secnred two state governors and no end of prominent platform speakers to take part.

The attempt to abolish the sale of liqnor in the Capitol at Washington has again failed. Practically there are two bar-rooms in the building, a fact which is no credit to onr legislators. It is hoped that temperance reformers will be persistent in their efforts to pnrge the capitol of these places, and that their next attempt will prove more successful.

Have we not learned that not stocks nor bonds nor stately houses nor lands nor the product of the mill is our country? It is a spiritual thought that is in our minds. It is the flag and what it stands for. It is its glorious history. It is the fireside and the home. It is the high thonghts that are in the heart, born of the inspiration which comes by the stories of onr fathers, the martyrs to liberty; it is the graveyards into which our careful country has gathered the nnconscious dust of those who have died. Here, in these things, is that which we love and call our country, rather than in anything that can be touched or handled.—Benjamin Harrison.

It would be humiliating, says the Chicago Advance, if we should have to confess that there is less discipline in the army than in a great commercial enterprise, yet there was no nonsensical talk in railroad circles abont what men "will do" in the use of liquor. When it was established that liquor was detrimental to the service they prohibited it. The army officers, however, in many cases are encouraging it. They are in a less advanced state of enlightenment on this question than are the railway officers. The office at Fort Sheridan even argued that the statistics of his command were better than the average, becanse his men were new recruits. He did not seem to see that this was a confession of the corrupting influence of the canteen system.

BRIGHT CABMAN.

The other day a zealous temperance cabman was exercising his persuasive powers, with a crowd around him. "A short time ago," said he, "I was coming from Aldridge's, where I had been to buy a horse for my cab. I saw a woman lying dead drunk on the cellar-flap of one of the neighboring pnblic-houses; so I walked into the bar, and said to he landlord, 'One of your signboards has tumbled down.' The gouty old pnblican and his pot-boy, who was rather older than his master, came outside, exclaiming, 'Where?' 'There!' I said, pointing to a heap of rags on the flap. 'Why don't you take it inside, and put it in your window, like other respectable tradesmen do with their goods, and label it "Our own manufacture," instead of leaving it here as if yon were ashamed to own it?' "—Hand and Heart.

THE DEMAND FOR BUSINESS EDUCATION.

We have met with nothing in its line as interesting, for a long time, as a late number of "The Huntsinger College Journal" at Hartford.

Its main feature is a list of about three hundred and seventy-five of the business honses of Hartford and vicinity who employ from one to fifteen or more of the Huntsinger gradnates. It includes all of the insnrance companies, pratically every mannfacturing concern, every prominent mercantile establishment, wholesale or retail, most of the banks, a very large percentage of the law firms, all the daily newspaper offices, the insurance and other agencies—in fact one may pretty nearly count upon the fingers the firms or individuals of standing, in any branch of bnsiness which are not included. It is the most effective answer possible to the question—"Is a business college edncation worth having?"

Certainly it is an answer so far as

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Huntsinger's itself is concerned, for it is a practical invitation to every inquirer to consult any one of these firms as to what Huntsinger's has done in that particular case. It is not a selection of a few isolated instances of remarkable success, but a practical challenge to test the training of any of probably a thousand graduates thus employed, as shown, not in theory or in school examinations, but in the demand of actual life. It is a challenge which no man would dare to offer, or could afford to offer, whose work was of other than the highest character.

The list is not less valuable as showing the extent and variety of the demand for graduates of the best business colleges. The call is no longer from the large establishments only. The number of smaller ones recognizing the need of this aid is even more of a revelation than the practical nnanimity of the greater. There is everything in the situation to encourage earnest, ambitions yong men and young women to equip themselves for a business life. We know of nothing which brings larger or surer returns for a like outlay of time and money than a course at Huntsinger's.

MASLEN'S MONUMENTS.

Anyone interested in the snbject of monuments and artistic designing and chiseling of stone work, will be well repaid by a visit to the warerooms of The Stephen Maslen Corporation, No. 40 High street. An nnusnally full stock of fine monumental work can now be seen, and at no time of the year can better prices, or a more painstaking care in filling orders, be secured, than now. The extensive yards and bnildings are fnlly equipped with the best modern machinery, and the resnlt is not only that a finer grade of work is produced, but the saving in expense of hand-work, resnlts in lower prices for the finished prodnct.

HARTFORD UNION NOTES.

The affairs of the Union are quiet during the summer but the routine business goes along smoothly. The snmmer meeting was held with the Unionville C. E. Society, Tuesday, July 1. Two special cars went out from the city. Rev. Charles H. Ewing of the Unionville Congregational church, who has been a missionary in China, gave an address on "Christian Endeavor Under Other Skies."

Mr. W. L. Wilkinson, vice-president of the Northern Section, resigned recently, as he had accepted a call to a church at Elderton, Pa. The vacant vice-presidency has been filled by Mr. Dudley B. Odber of the Windsor Avenne Congregational church.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS.

(From the Presbyterian C. E. Manual)

Sun., July 13. Topic—Constant Companionship. John 14: 15-28; Matt. 8: 20.

The first thing always is love. If we do not love Christ we are not his disciples and of course cannot have his companionship.

The only real proof that we love Christ is that we do what he commands. Discipleship is not an emotional matter bnt is very practical.

Christ never leaves any of his true friends desolate or orphaned. When human companions are gone he draws near.

A prize was offered for the best definition of a friend, and this was adjudged best: "A friend is the one who comes in when everybody else has gone out." That is the kind of friend Christ is.

Sun., July 20. Topic—Means of Growth. Phil. 3: 12-16; Col. 1: 10-14.

We never reach the limit of possible growth Godward. No matter how high we climb, heaven keeps above ns.

We should never be satisfied with onr attainments, but should ever press on.

The way to make progress is to forget the things which are behind and stretch forward to things before.

True growth is growth in patience, in long suffering, in peace, in love, in gentleness, in the spirit of helpfulness, in submission to the will of God.

Snn., July 27. Topic—Missions: A Meeting in the Interest of Medical Missions. "Preach, Heal." Matt. 10: 7, 8.

The kingdom of heaven is ever at hand, ready to extend its sway. It seeks to enter people's hearts. Wherever Christ is owned as King this kingdom has been set up.

Christ's work is not only for sonls—it has blessings also for bodies. All institutions like hospitals, asylnms, homes, and refnges, which do so mnch for the comfort of the sick and the poor, are the fruit of Christianity.

Jesus set the example for medical missions. While he sought to heal men's souls of sin's sicknesses he also cured their bodily diseases.

Sun., Ang. 3. Topic—The Call to Separation. II Cor. 6: 14-18; I John 2: 15-17.

Good and evil are irreconcilable—there is no kinship between them and they cannot blend.

Christ and Belial cannot be harmonized. It is idle to try to nnite the interests of the two.

"Come out," is the call of Christ. He does not propose to save people in their sins—it can only be from their sins.

If we love the world we shut God out of onr heart. If we shnt God ont we shut heaven out. And if we shut heaven ont we shnt ourselves out of heaven. The only true way to live is to love God, and then, when this world perishes, we shall lose nothing, for God is eternal.

Snn., Aug. 10. Topic—A Snggestion in Addition. II Pet. 1: 4-9.

The first rule in arithmetic is the rule of addition. We mnst learn to add before we come to subtract, multiply, or divide. So addition is also the first rule in the Christian life.

Addition, as we all felt when we were children, is tedious work. There is nothing quick or interesting in it, as there is in subtraction, for instance. It is easy to nnderstand bnt it is hard to do.

Nevertheless, nobody ever learned arithmetic without going throngh addition. And nobody can learn to be a good Christian without adding up the Christian graces, painfnlly as it may be, into the sum of life.

The 12th International Convention of the Baptist Yonng People's Union of America was held at Providence, from July 10th to 13th. The attendance was large and the various meetings deeply interesting, distinguished preachers from all over the conntry taking part.

The watchword of the convention was "Conquest"—Conquest of self, of the Word, of the World.

This is the first convention of the B. Y. P. U. A. to be held in the East, and Hartford's Baptist young people were well represented.

The British National Endeavor convention recently held in "the Calico City," as Manchester is dubbed over the waters, packed St. James Hall with 8,000 people, and bronght a new experience to the city. Thonsands of Endeavorers sang under the starry sky nntil the amazed policemen turned the traffic into other streets and let the songs go on. One inqniry meeting was held in the middle of a roadway, in which men and women expressed a longing for the joy with which the singers overflowed.

Dr. Clark held a conference in Liverpool with forty Nonconformist ministers, and another with nearly fifty Church of England clergymen. Already there are eleven Church of England Endeavor societies in Liverpool.

The C. E. Floating work in Providence, R. I., now owns a handsome naptha lannch with which to visit the incoming ships.

Dr. Clark writes hopefnlly of his trip through Bulgaria, Bohemia, Macedonia, and Hnngary. While it has been one of the hardest he has ever made, Christian Endeavor unions will resnlt in all these countries. He has been received in a wonderful spirit of cordialty and friendliness, and the extension of Christian Endeavor in foreign lands has never before been so rapid. The way is now open for the Christian Endeavor fellowship to grow all over Europe.

Snnday-school Snperintendent pointing to a moral)—Yes, scholars the great thing is to know one's duty and then do it. Admiral Dewey knew his dnty when he entered Manila Bay and saw the Spanish ships and the world has seen how nobly he performed it. Now children what is our dnty in this bright holiday season? How may we emulate the great Admiral? What should we do when we see about us the poor, the sick and the snffering?"

Small-boy Class (in concert) lick 'em!"—Boston Herald.

SHELTER FOR WOMEN.

The weeks that have passed since our last account of the work have been busy ones. Our work is growing and we have been able to minister to many needy ones.

We had a pleasant gathering recently, one of our family reunions. The evening was spent in a social way and a happy time enjoyed

On the Fourth of July we had our annual picnic, which was held in Hockanum. Quite a large number of our girls were with us and we had a delightful time.

On July 7, one of the girls who was converted a year ago and since then has led an earnest Christian life, took charge of the service, and we had a very precious time. Two others manifested a desire to serve Christ.

Through the courtesy of the Courant Fresh Air Fund, we are expecting a number of outings.

The Wethersfield Flower Mission has begun its summer work and is supplying us with flowers weekly, which we distribute in the neighborhood, jail and hospital, also among the sick. Through the kindness of Mr. Whiting, the florist, we have had our window boxes filled and had quite a large number of plants set out in our garden. We believe that our garden has a softening and refining infinence in our neighborhood, and the children and young people call upon us for flowers for weddings, funerals and graduating exercises.

Our religious services are well attended and much good is being done there. The donations to our "Bnreau" continue and many worthy people are helped through it.

TRIPS ON THE FALCON.

The steamer Falcon, which makes daily runs from here to Saybrook Point, is becoming more popular every day. A sail on it makes it very pleasant these hot days. The boat leaves here at 8:30 a. m., stopping at several landing places along the route and arrives at Saybrook Point abont 1 p. m. A stay of two hours and a half is given at that point and at 3:30 the boat starts back for Hartford. It stops at Portland to take on passengers from the New York boat. This method of enjoying a sail on the river was enjoyed by many last summer.

ADDITIONAL BOOK NOTICES.

The Prince Incognito. By Elizabeth Wormeley Latimer. 320 pages, 12 mo. Chicago: A. C. McClurg & Co.

This is the remarkable, but prosaically told, story of the wanderings incognito of Ercole Rinaldo d'Este, the hereditary Prince of Modena in the time of the persecution of the Protestants in the Cevennes, by the Catholics, about the year 1747.

The writer has done much work of great importance heretofore in translating and compilation and the present work will be of possible value in supplying a plausible explanation of a missing page in historic records.

Many features of life among religios refugees, pictures of famous characters of history, scenes characteristic of the life and the country and excellent descriptions, give the book a stability it might otherwise lack.

Omar Khayyam, Junior. By Wallace Irwin. 50 pages, 8 vo. San Francisco: Elder & Shepard. Price 50c.

A parody on the famous Rubaiyat. The anthor who also wrote the inimitably clever "Love Sonnets of a Hoodlum," aims irreverent sarcasm at Khay yam, Senior, especially in regard to his unfortunate addiction to wine.

As a specimen of the verse we quote:

"So unto Venus' Oracle in turn
I leaned the secret of my Love to learn.
The Answering Riddle came: "She loves you, yes,
In just Proportion to the Sum you Earn."

A Maid of Bar Harbor. By Henrietta G. Rowe. 368 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Little, Brown & Co. Price $1.50.

A novel full of homely beauties, depicting natural every-day character in the natural vicissitudes of real life. There is no straining for effect and yet a simple, beautiful and inspiring tale is told.

The heroine, Comfort Hadlock, came into the world unwelcomed by her father, a well-to-do farmer. She develops a character lovable and kindly and proves nobly her right to be in the world. A more admirable feminine character has seldom been written of.

The scenes are laid in Mt. Desert in the days before and after its occupation as a society summer resort. The pictures of the island in its primitive days are full of charming interest.

The illustrations are excellent.

The Love Story of Abner Stone. By Edwin Carlile Litsey. 170 pages, 16 mo. New York: A. S. Barnes & Co. Price $1.20 net.

Some years ago the author wrote a romance of the "Prisoner of Zenda" order, called "The Princess of Gramfalon." It was a good story though it attracted little attention. Now he has written another good book—so good that it is receiving high praises from the best critics everywhere.

It is a simple love story, told from the heart, pure in thought and beautiful in expression. Abner Stone, who tells the story, did not wish to fall in love. He took pains to avoid the possibility, but Salome comes into his life and his love story begins. It made his life nobler and better. He tells the story hoping the world will be benefited likewise.

Margaret Bowlby. By Edgar L. Vincent. 484 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Lothrop Publishing Co. Price $1.50.

The sub-title of this romance is "A Love Story." It appears, upon reading, to more properly deserve the title "A Political Story," for politics is the base—the substance, while the love affair, a charmingly unique one, is the thread running through it. Robert Kemp, the hero, is the young superintendent of a mine owned by Captain Bowlby, whose daughter, Margaret, Kemp is in love with.

Anxious to improve the condition of the miners he runs for the state legislature, against Captain Bowlby's wishes. Then begins a remarkable succession of events in which Kemp tastes both victories and defeats and which land him at length in the chair of state Governor, make him Captain Bowlby's partner, and Margaret Bowlby's husband.

The Brook Book. By Mary Rogers Miller. 241 pages, 12 mo. New York: Doubleday, Page & Co. Price $1.35.

How interesting a brook may be anyone can realize with a moment's thinking. If one is a student of nature the acquaintances found by a brookside are innumerable. If one is simply a lover of nature and the wonders of out-of-door life, without a familiar knowledge of the subject, this book will become a treasure, for the author follows the changes of a typical brook throughout the year, noting unusual features, remarking the causes of various phenomena and changes, and pointing out a multitude of examples of fish, reptile, insect and vegetable life inhabiting its vicinity.

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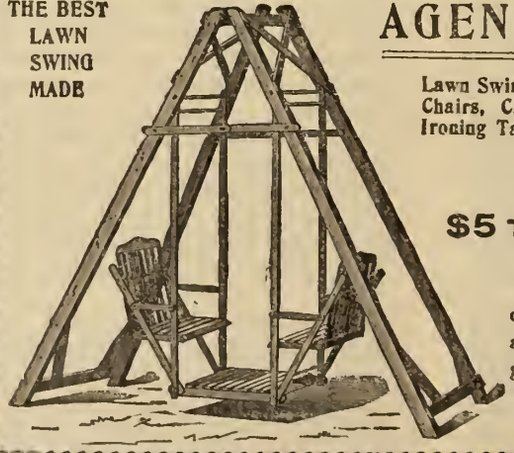

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The boy's camp opened at Swanzey Lake, New Hampshire, on Thursday, July 10, with 26 boys and three men in charge. Mr. Clarke E. Pomeroy, secretary of the Boy's Department, is in charge, assisted by Mr. S. Wales Dixon, physical director, and Mr. A. L. Goldsmith, the assistant to Mr. Pomeroy in the boys work at the Association. About 19 of the boys will remain the entire three weeks. Others will go up to stay one and two weeks. On Saturday, the 12th, five boys representing the employed boy's section went up to stay one week. The boys live in tents and sleep on canvas cots. They are all supplied with bicycles and will enjoy the good riding all about that section. There is a safe beach for swimming and the boys are allowed the privilege of going in twice each day at special hours and are always attended by the men, who are expert swimmers. Any boy that cannot swim will be taught how. They will also receive instructions in life-saving, what to do first in trying to resuscitate one taken out of the water in a drowning condition. Religious services are held each day, morning and evening, brief and informal in character. The boys are not preached at, but by personal contact and good example the spiritual development of each boy is sought for. A delightful feature of each day's program is the campfire, built every evening, after sun down, on the beach. Here the boys gather after supper and enjoy a sing, story telling, etc., closing always with a hymn and a prayer.

Last year over 5,000 boys were gathered in the Y. M. C. A. summer camps of the country and hundreds of these were won for Christ and His Church.

Mr. George A. Gregg, the Educational Director of the Hillyer Institute, is visiting his parents in Toronto, Canada, and will be absent during the month of July. Extensive plans have been made for the evening class work for the coming season. A handsomely illustrated catalogue will be ready for distribution by Sept. 1st, giving full particulars. Mr. Jacks, the General Secretary, is now preparing the Annual Prospectus, which will give in detail the plans for the entire work for the coming winter season. These plans embrace a large work for the boys; active social features; a star course of entertainments at Unity Hall; a Bible school for men of four departments; a series of great meetings for men in the Opera House; a variety of class work in gymnasium for all conditions of men; with games, athletics, contests, etc.

The opening reception will take place on Monday, Sept. 29, and will be a brilliant occasion. Mr. Jacks will take his vacation during August, but does not expect to leave this city.

Many parts of the building are receiving much needed repairing and will be in good shape for the winter's work.

Any one desiring a copy of the annual catalogues may receive them by dropping a postal card to the office requesting the same.

THE OPEN HEARTH.

The work at the Open Hearth this summer has thus far proved greater and more encouraging than ever before. The increased facilities afforded by the change of location from the old quarters to the fine location on Grove street, with the additional room, the better sanitary arrangements, the single beds, bath and wash rooms, have all given an opportunity for the better care of those coming to us, and have given more and better facilities for interesting and instructing the men in cleanliness and in an endeavor to comport themselves in accordance with their better surroundings.

The meetings in the temporary mission room are well attended and many have given evidence of their determination to lead different lives for the future. Superintendent Miller receives from time to time letters from those who have left us, and also from their employers, which show the good effects of their sojourn at the Open Hearth and their affection for the superintendent and the institution. These are gratifying evidences which have been given almost from the first endeavor made in the work by Mr. Miller, and are an encouragement to him and his assistants to renewed efforts in behalf of those who have fallen by the way.

The spacious gardens of the new place are now in fine order. Each family who attended the Open Hearth and many young people have a plot marked out for them and in the morning, and particularly in the early evening, a pleasant spectacle is presented by the sight of careworn mothers with their little ones and older girls, tending the flowers which they have planted, or playing ping pong or croquet on the grounds. The good done by thus furnishing amusement to these young people cannot be estimated.

The outdoor excursions also should not be forgotten, nor the kindness of the Courant in arranging for them. Superintendent Miller will take out a large number on these excursions and mothers and children will be thus given an outing so much needed by them

In fact every department of the Open Hearth, which has done so much in the past has received a fresh impulse from the removal from the building which its work had outgrown, to the convenient and spacious building and grounds of its permanent home, and all feel devout thankfulness to the committee and friends who have made this possible. All citizens should feel an interest in this work and aid it in every way possible.

THE SALVATION ARMY.

Another month has rolled around and it still finds us pressing on and up. The past month has been one of victory. We have been enabled to furnish, by the aid of the people of our city, food and lodgings to those who have been in need and applied to us for it. The social work of the Salvation Army is now deeply entrenched in this city and we are in hopes to branch out still further. We have in the past month sheltered about 400 men and none who have applied for aid have been turned away. We are still laboring in the Master's vineyard and we rejoice in our work. We are still in need of cash, cast-off clothing, old books, newspapers and magazines. By sending us a postal card, we would be pleased to have our team call and take whatever our friends may have to give.

Rev. E. M. Stephenson, of Chicago, has for years been asking church members the question: "At what age were you converted?" In 1,000 answers he finds that five per cent. were converted before nine years of age; seven per cent. from nine to twelve; fourteen per cent. from thirteen to fifteen; fifty per cent. from fifteen to eighteen; sixteen per cent from nineteen to twenty-one; seven per cent. from twenty-two to twenty-five and one per cent. from twenty-six to thirty. The facts thus revealed should be a guide to church workers as to the age at which people are the most open to religious instruction.

ADDITIONAL CHURCHES.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

The parish sustains a great loss in the death of our senior warden, Hon John H. Hall. He entered into rest on June 25. He was an active church worker, and his counsel and aid will be greatly missed. The funeral service at the church, on June 28, was impressive. Members of Colt's Armory and other shops with which Mr. Hall was connected, attended in large numbers. The floral tributes were beautiful and of elaborate designs. The rector was assisted by Rev. Mr. Harriman, Rev. Mr. Watson, Rev. Mr. Raftery and Rev. Mr. Woodcock. Colt's Armory Band rendered appropriate selections on the lawn near the church as the procession entered the church, and at the close of the service. Rev. C. G. Woodcock of Detroit, Mich., preached the sermon Sunday, June 29, at the morning service. It was a strong and eloquent discourse on life and death and the life beyond the grave. The speaker alluded to Hon. J. H. Hall in the sermon as a man of sterling qualities and of great business abilities.

The Good Shepherd branch of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, held its last meeting for the season, on June 24, at the Memorial House. Addresses were made and a social time enjoyed.

The picnic of the Sunday-school was held at Hanover Park in connection with Christ Church, on July 2. A pleasant time was enjoyed by all who attended.

The Sunday-school will have its usual vacation from the second Sunday in July to the second Sunday in September.

The Friday evening services are discontinued for the rest of the summer.

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH.

The Sunday-school closed for the summer vacation on Sunday, July 6, with a service at 4 o'clock. The senior class in the primary department graduated at that time and was presented with diplomas, and in the fall will go to the senior department of the school. Miss Annie B. Hall is the teacher of this class.

The Sunday-school excursion to Laurel Park takes place Tuesday, July 15.

Little Miss Marion Kropp, in behalf of the Sunday-school, presented the rector, Rev. Geo. R. Warner, with a handsome bouquet of carnations; attached to the bouquet was an envelope containing a sum of money with a card wishing Mr. Warner a pleasant vacation. Mr. Warner was completely surprised, but thanked the school in his usual happy way of speaking.

There will be no Sunday evening services during July and August.

We have at last got money enough (thanks to many kind friends) to be able to place a pipe organ in our beautiful church, and hope to have it in before All Saints Day.

We also expect during the summer months to make some much needed repairs in frescoing, carpets, etc., and hope by fall to have everything in perfect order.

WINDSOR CONGREGATIONAL.

Our pastor, Rev. Roscoe Nelson, is spending his vacation on the Maine coast. He left here July 8, and will be gone four weeks.

An address was given Sunday morning, July 13, by Miss Virginia Dox, who told very interestingly of the work Berea College, Kentucky, is doing among the mountain whites.

Sunday, July 20, there will be a union service in the Methodist church, Prof. Beardslee preaching.

Sunday, July 27, there will be a union service in our church, Rev. Mr. Dunkerke, the Methodist pastor, preaching.

The Sunday-school, instead of taking its outing out of town this year, went to Break Neck, on the bank of the Farmington River, the picturesque scene of the recent landslide.

UNITY CHURCH.

The closing social was held on the evening of June 13, when Blashfield's one act comedy, 'A Surprise Party,'' was given in the lower hall, by the young people of the society, Mr. Mather, Miss Moses, Miss Blaisdell and Mr. Honiss taking the leading parts. The acting was finely done and the play very enjoyable. The stage setting, representing a ''Turkish Den'' was remarkably handsome, and was furnished by the Neal, Goff & Inglis Company. After the play, ice cream was served and a social hour enjoyed.

The picnic planned for June 21, was postponed on account of the weather. Owing to a further combination of circumstances it was finally postponed to September.

The closing service before vacation was held June 29. The services will be resumed in September.

ST. PAUL'S METHODIST.

The Union Sunday-school picnic having been indefinitely postponed, because of rain on the day selected, the school of this church will picnic on Saturday, July 19, in Elizabeth Park.

During July and August the Epworth League combines with the regular church service of the evening. The meetings are held from 7 to 8:15, the last fifteen minutes being occupied by the pastor.

The pastor, Rev. Burdette B. Brown, has been granted a vacation during the month of August. In his absence the pulpit will be supplied.

NEW BRITAIN AVE. MISSION.

The evening meetings have been discontinued until the first Sunday in September, which is the 7th.

We have had a good attendance at the evening meetings and also at the Sunday-school considering the warm weather and a number being away on vacations.

The Kings Daughters held a basket picnic at Elizabeth Park on the evening of July 10.

The Ladies' Aid Society held its annual picnic at Elizabeth Park. All those who went report a nice time.

July 2, the Sunday-school held its annual picnic at Laurel Park, where seventy or more enjoyed themselves in playing games and races.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

District No. 1, General Eastern Society of Loyal Workers, met with this church for its annual convention, June 27. Thirty different societies from Connecticut, New York and Massachusetts were represented. The themes of the speakers were such as would have a bearing on present conditions and duties and were therefore timely and stimulating.

The church will be closed the first two Sundays in August, as the Springfield camp meeting opens August 1, and holds ten days and the greater part of our people attend that meeting.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER.

The annual picnic of the Sunday-school was held at Lake Compounce, June 28, and was well attended. Two car loads went down at 9 o'clock and returned at 7 o'clock in the evening. Everyone seemed to enjoy this annual outing.

The annual convention of the Young People's Christian Union is being held at Portland, Me., and according to reports, is a grand success. Six members of this union went to Portland

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The church and Sunday-school closed Sunday, July 13, until the first Sunday in September.

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The Jnly Century is a "Summer Fiction Nnmber," containing contribntions in this field from popnlar writers and from new comers. There is a short story by the late Paul Leicester Ford, entitled "Wanted: A Chaperon," with illnstrations by Gilbert, probably the last piece of completed fiction by the author of "Janice Meredith." To Dr. Weir Mitchell's gronp of "Little Stories" is added a piqnant sketch entitled "A Dilemma," setting forth "a lady or the tiger"-ish problem.

Dr. James Robb Church, the distinguished snrgeon of the Rough Riders, now Assistant Surgeon in the U. S. Army, went to Martinique on the relief steamer Dixie. Dr. Chnrch has unusual powers of observation and description, and he has nsed them to the best advantage in an article which appears in the Jnly Scribner, giving his vivid, personal impressions of the greatest disaster of modern times.

What makes the happy relation between man and woman, is an eternally interesting question, and a clever discussion of why marriages fail, presented by Rafford Pyke in his article, "The Woman's Side," is certain to receive the very wide consideration which has been given to that anthor's previons articles on the disucssion of woman versus man. The Jnly Cosmopolitan seems to be almost equally divided in interest between men and women.

Josephine Wright Chapman, the well-known architect, has an article on "Making a Conntry Home" in the Jnly Woman's Home Companion. It will appeal to everybody who contemplates honse-bnilding.

The Jnly Era Magazine is an exceptionally good number, and will appeal to a larger circle of readers than ever. "The Growth of Christian Science," by Joseph Dana Miller, is an article which is sure to be widely read, being written in his moderate vein, by one who is master of his snbject.

William Davenport Hulbert, whose hnmane stories of animal life have brought mankind closer to natnre, will contribute an intensely interesting story of the strnggles and trinmphs of a whitefish to the August Sncess.

The July McClure's is a notable nnmber. Three of its contributions are of national importance—two sketches of Admiral Sampson, by ex-Secretary Long and Captain A. T. Mahan respectively, and an article entitled, "Fighting Life in the Philippines," by Dr. Henry C. Rowland.

The Gift of Power. By John Ellery Tuttle D. D. 59 pages, 32 mo. Philadelphia: The Westminster Press.

This is called "a study of the Holy Spirit." It is a small volnme with a short text, yet fnll of inspiring thought and sincere admonition to live more earnest and spiritual lives.

A STREET IN POMPEII.

From "Roman Life Under the Cæsars," G. P. Putnam's Sons, Publishers.

Many Waters. A Story of New York. By Robert Shackleton. 372 pages, 12 mo. New York: D. Appleton & Co. Price $1.50.

This is a love story, a romance of Wall Street and a tale of political life all compounded with enongh of society life, to make, in the stock phrase of criticism, "a rattling good story."

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The reader looking for a good snmmer novel cannot do better than to secure a copy of this, whose title, it may be of interest to know, is from the familiar, "Many waters cannot quench love."

In My Vicarage Garden and Elsewhere. By Rev. Canon Ellacombe. 219 pages, 12 mo. New York: John Lane. Price $1.50.

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The Claybornes. By William Sage. 404 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Honghton, Mifflin & Co. Price $1.50.

The story is of the Civil War. It opens with a family quarrel, when the oldest son abandons family and family ties to fight with the northern army. The sacrifices he makes are no light ones, including as they do, the regard of the fascinating woman with whom he believes himself in love, bnt who afterwards, as a Sonthern spy, bronght npon her former lover a

charge of treason.

Of course the familiar historical figures of the time appear. Grant is among them. Famous battles are fought with vivid detail.

The characters, especially the burly newspaper correspondent, are well drawn. The book is readable and contains much local color of peculiar interest.

Among the Night People. By Clara Dillingham Pierson. 221 pages, 12 mo. New York: E. P. Dutton & Co. Price $1.00.

Within a year the author's "Among the Pond People" was noticed in these columns. "Among the Meadow People" has also been a work of the same author. The design is to give a practical knowledge of the characteristics, lives and habits of local animal life.

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Under Sunny Skies. By various writers. 138 pages, 16 mo. Boston: Ginn & Co.

This is the latest volume in the "Youth's Companion Series" of geographical readers for children. The "Wide World" and "Northern Europe" preceded this.

The books are made up of short, simply related accounts of people and customs of various lands. All the articles originally appeared in the "Youth's Companion." The present volume as indicated by the title, is devoted to Italy, Spain and adjacent countries. The volumes are illustrated. The authors are nearly all well-known writers.

The Story of the Token. By Robert Shiells, F. S. A. Scot. 196 pages, 16 mo. Philadelphia: Presbyterian Board of Publication.

The Token as used in connection with the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, was for many years a thing looked upon with serious regard and reverence. It was the visible symbol of that which, like the master key, opened the gates of salvation to the faithful communicants of the church. Only those to whom the elders of the church furnished the token were allowed to partake of the Lord's Supper.

The tokens were like coins, or medals, bearing inscriptions on either side, often a pastor's name, or other appropriate markings. The use of the Token is almost forgotten. The author tells interestingly of its history and there are many illustrations of the Tokens shown.

Faith and Life. Sermons by George Tybout Purves, D. D., L. L. D. 377 pages, 12 mo. Philadelphia: Presbyterian Board of Publication.

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The College Man in Doubt. By Nolan Rice Best. 80 pages, 32 mo. Philadelphia: The Westminster Press.

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The Gate of the Kiss. By John W. Harding. 404 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Lothrop Publishing Co. Price $1.50.

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SHUT IN.

A little pool deserted by the tide,
With seaweed fringes motionless, unstirred,
And all its life quiescent, doth abide,
Though distant plash of restless wave is heard.

What seeth it but rocks, unchanging, grim,
That forward lean with frown and menace drear?
A little pool shut in from rim to rim,
Though life abundant sweeps so fast and near.

Yet mirrored in its heart are sky and stars,
And faint reflection of the rising moon,
That brings new life to overflow its bars;
The full flood-tide shall break upon it soon.

Therefore, my soul, with inmost peace endure
Enforced inaction in a time of stress;
Here or hereafter is the moment sure,
Thy life's flood-tide shall break on thee to bless.

—A. L. Crowell
in the Sunday School Times.

South America, which covers an area of seven million square miles and contains thirty-four million inhabitants, has been called "the neglected continent." In Patagonia there are two million Indians who never heard of Christ until 1889, and there are only four missionaries laboring among them. In Peru, three million Indians, the decendants of the Incas, have never been evangelized.—C. and M. A.

WHAT HAS THE PASTOR A RIGHT TO EXPECT FROM HIS PEOPLE.

He has a right to expect

1st. That in return for spiritual benefits bestowed, he shall be provided for in matters temporal, generously and without grudging.

2nd. That having been called by his church to labor among them, and having left a perhaps equally important field, in order that he may serve them, he is entitled to their fullest support in every and all things, which the church approves or directs. He has a right to expect that the church will be satisfied with his preaching abilities and his pastoral work, as they presumably had the opportunity of learning and judging of his merits before offering him the pastorate.

3d. That they shall be habitual attendants upon the services of the church. That they shall be attentive and not over critical hearers, and not forgetful that the pastor needs the stimulus of encouraging words, which are due him when his hearers have received help either from his public utterances or private ministrations.

4th. That they will co-operate with him from time to time in special evangelistic services, calling to his aid the special evangelist if he desires such help.

5th. That while he gives his whole time and talent to the furtherance of the gospel, his wife, if he is so fortunate to have one, shall be expected to fill only such place in the church and its various societies as her time, talents and strength permit.

6th. That he shall have the same liberty to express in private and at the polls, his preference in political matters, as any other person in the community.

7th. If he requests his congregation to occupy the front seats in the prayer meeting room, instead of those most remote, he has a right to expect that such a reasonable request will be promptly complied with.

8th. That the people will give in accordance with their means, and pay all obligations of the church with promptness.

9th. That his people will be lenient toward his faults and failings if he has them, avoiding as far as possible all mention of them in the presence of those not in sympathy with him or his work.

10th. That his people will not criticise him or his sermons before their children or non church members, and that all criticisms shall be made in a friendly spirit.

11th. That the church shall not only pray for their pastor but with him.

12th. That the members shall give their *first* and *best* allegiance to the *church* and *not* to *outside* organizations however good they may be as to their aims and methods.

WHAT HAVE THE CHURCHES A RIGHT TO EXPECT FROM THEIR PASTORS.

1st. They have a right to expect that they will not consider themselves a *class* more or less separate from and above the rank and file of the church.

2nd. They have a right to expect that they will not consider that by virtue of their profession, they are entitled to special privileges not accorded to other people.

3rd. That it is no worse for them to feel tired than for other people, and

therefore they should perform their work as uncomplainingly as others do.

4th. They have a right to expect that they will not go about perpetually advertising their ills and aches; publishing to all inquiring friends that they are incapable of filling the positions they occupy, and being mortally offended if their claims to incapacity are taken in earnest.

5th. They have a right to expect that when the time comes in the history of a pastorate that to a considerable number of the people a change in the pastoral relation seems desirable, the minister shall not feel that that sentiment is an evidence of disloyalty and of personal wrong done him.

6th. That he will take the lay officials of his church into his counsels, and while he remains the leader, he should make them his constant advisors.

7th That he shall not continually be engaged in lecturing, and other outside work to the neglect or detriment of his church.

8th. They have a right to expect that when he gives the notice for the weekly prayer meeting he will be careful not to exaggerate by claiming that it is exceedingly interesting and growing in numbers, if, as is too often true, it is stupid and cold almost beyond endurance.

9th. That while calling upon and visiting his people in their homes, he shall exercise the gift of leading conversation in the direction of bible themes, and religious work, not however so as to make his presence an embarrassment, but rather to make religion an easier and pleasanter subject of conversation in the homes.

10th. That his conversation in the vestibule of the church shall not be such as shall tend to neutralize what he has said in the pulpit.

11th. That his presence at such social events of the church as he is able to attend, shall tend to discourage frivolity and generally to elevate the moral tone of his people.

12th. That his daily life shall be an embodiment of his public teaching.

13th. They have a right to expect his pulpit utterances shall deal mainly with gospel themes, but take wider range from time to time as great public exigencies arise.

14th. They have a right to expect that he will live within his means, and exercise the same economy and self denial that his parishioners have to exercise to the end that he may save money for the "rainy day" and thus avoid dependence when ill health or old age is upon him.

15th. They have a right to expect him to remember that the people who have been immersed in cares and perplexities from Monday morning to Thursday night, can hardly drop all these at will, and feel as ready as himself to enter into the spirit of the mid-week meeting. At such times the spirit may be willing while the flesh is weak.

16th. They have a right to expect he will remember when he returns September 1st, from a six weeks vacation, that at least three quarters of his people have spent nearly the whole period amid heat and many cares. He should therefore feel no great surprise if they do not respond enthusiastically when he says with fervor, "*Now that the vacation is over let us all take hold and work.*"

R. P. Chapman.

TWO DAYS AT CONSTANTINOPLE.

By Rev. J. G. Huber, A. M.

Two eventful days were spent in and about the famous city of Constantine, the first Christian emperor of Rome. Its location has been affirmed by travelers as the most favorable and most magnificent on earth. It stretches upward from the Bosporus, and its arm, the Golden Horn, like three sections of a great circle. On the Asiatic side of the Bosporus is Scutari, on the European Stamboul and Galata-Pera, these being divided by the Golden Horn' a narrow bay into which streams a continuous current of commerce and life.

We approached the city on the evening of a cloudy day, and my first view of it was one of disappointment, but when 10,000 faint gas-lights gleamed from windows and from streets up those long slopes, and I realized that amid the wierd mingling of lights and shadows, 1,000,000 human beings existed, the last of more than sixty generations, the scene became one of overwhelming meaning and majesty.

We soon learned that it was not easy for tourists to land here. Our organizer, Mr. Clark, had great difficulty in securing permission to bring ashore 800 people, the largest company of American citizens ever landed; but we all did so without even showing our passports. The question was asked, however, if there were any anarchists among us. Very recently the Sultan has been unusually terrorized and terrible. He became suspicious of the more progressve element in his empire, and in the last two weeks has ordered the execution or banishment of more than two hundred of his most highly educated subjects and most capable officials among them, the leading Pasha, the most successful general in the war with Russia. The latter was disposed of without even the privilege of a farewell to his family Under these conditions, our party felt very grateful for the liberties and courtesies enjoyed.

We visited the places o world-wide fame and interest—the Mosque of St. Sophia, the Seraglio, where stand the mint, treasury and many noble trees, the Galata Tower, and were permitted to look upon the palaces of the Sultan.

The Mosque of St. Sophia was once an imperial Christian church, built in the sixth century by Justinian the Great. The marble of its superb pillars and arches and lofty dome was gathered from the pagan temples of antiquity, and is surpassed only by the Parthenon. It is said that, on Christmas eve, 537, the emperor, laying aside his crown, entered the completed edifice,. exclaiming, "Solomon, I have conquered thee!"

The building cost $64,000,000, and on the arches and vestibules may still be seen at places the mosaics of crosses and the face of Christ shining through the Turkish whitewash that could not cover them. To a soldier destroying the mosaics, Mohammed the Conqueror, said, "Let those things be," and, stretching him at his feet with his sword, "Who knows but in another age they can serve another religion than that of Islam!"

Here, in 1453, the Christians made their last determined stand, and, in the great auditorium, more than 1,000 were cut down by the Turks. One cannot resist the assurance that their blood will be avenged in love, and that our Lord's true worshippers will again gather in this "the most perfect and most beautiful church yet erected by any Christian people."

Some of our party were in the mint and saw Turkish copper coins made by English machinery. Others saw the curios and valuables of the celebrated treasury—jewels of rare value and beauty: an emerald the size of a fist, the largest in the world; beaten gold ornaments and garments glittering with gold and gems: a golden cradle for tiny crying royalties: coats-of-arms and lovely statues—a vast building stored with precious things that will ere long, be sold or seized. As one looks upon the weakness and corruption of the state that controls these imposing structures and treasures, he recalls the recent remark of an American, "The Turk is dead, but his funeral is delayed because of the quarrel among the undertakers."

No one visiting Constantinople should miss climbing Galata Tower. It is an ancient and colossal structure built by the Genoese when they occupied the city, though its foundations

were laid by Anastasius, in the fifth century. Its walls are ten to twelve feet thick, and from its great height one obtains an excellent view of the city. The tower is occupied by a feeble fire department, whose only equipment seems to be a pile of old lanterns, with which they locate the presence of fire. I could see no means with which to put out a fire, and it is not surprising that the city has burned down twenty times in its history—but it is a wonder how so many dogs escaped. There are about 50,000 in the streets, and surely as many more in the houses and harems, and they are all yellow and all sick, like their master, only they can curl up and sleep anywhere undisturbed by dreams or men. A man is worth just five times as much as one of these cadaverous dogs, and three times as much as one of the black ducks that fly in the harbor, for to kill a dog is punished by three years in prison, to kill a duck by five years, and to kill a man by fifteen years. Usually the slayer of his fellow-being escapes without notice in Constantinople.

We saw army barracks until our eyes were tired, but no Turkish hospital or house of refuge or asylum for the unfortunate, and only one school. I wished for every home friend at my side as I stood for ten minutes near the famous Galata Bridge that spans the Golden Horn, and watched the passing swarms of human beings. There were fleet horsemen and rolling carriages; men and beasts laden with merchandise of all descriptions; barrels of firewood, furniture, vegetables, fruit, and bread; venders of articles of all varieties from a bead to a fine Persian rug, carrying them on their heads or placing them on the street and crying for customers; women and children in rags pleading for "backsheesh"; the aged feeble and blind seated on the curbstone or by the railing of the bridge begging; and on the countless heads of the throng gleaming the tasseled red fez of the Moslem Turk—a scene a perfect bedlam of noise and confusion that was saddening and bewildering. If there be a home life of love and happiness and beauty in the midst of such hard cruelty and vile surroundings, it would be an oasis in a desert, unseen by a stranger in a dozen years.

On Sabbath morning, at quarter past seven, a party of 200 boarded a steam tender and set out for Robert College some miles up the Bosporus. As loyal lovers of truth and America, you would all have gladly joined us, and well you might, for Robert College represents a faith and heroism of the noblest type, and to shake hands with President Washburn, as most of us did, was a greater privilege than being greeted by a king.

On the way up, my heart was deeply touched as I saw an old man standing in the tower of a white stone Greek church regularly striking a sweet-toned bell. That was his crude way of ringing, but the tones were just as mellow and welcome, and far more so as I remembered the bells at home that called loved friends to God's house for worship.

We landed at the foot of one of the gray stone towers built by Mohammed the Conqueror, when he besieged the city, in 1452. There are two on the European side, and one on the Asiatic. Their walls are thirty feet thick, and high in proportion. One of the former was used by the conqueror for a prison, and the latter is the celebrated white tower in General Lew Wallace's "Prince of India."

Past the towers, up winding paths, we filed, and stood at last under the folds of Old Glory. I cannot here give a sketch of Robert College. It has a most fascinating history. But while sitting in the chapel, I recalled the part Admiral Farragut played in its beginning. The admiral had come in a warship on some diplomatic mission,

Stamboul in Foreground. Galata Bridge over the Golden Horn.

CONSTANTINOPLE.

but Dr. Cyrus Hamlin urged him to do something toward securing a charter for the college. The admiral was willing, but did not know how. So he was instructed only to ask, "What about the American college?" He asked the question at every banquet of every Turkish official, and they all became alarmed, and the Sultan as well. In a very short time the ground was ceded, a spacious and beautiful sight, commanding a magnificent view of the Bosporus, with the heights of Asia beyond. The institution is incorporated in the State of New York, and comprises two splendid college buildings and three residences, and over them all floats the flag of the American Republic, the emblem of the state and civilization that control it. We assembled in the commodious chapel, with the three hundred students, for a brief religious service. A male chorus of twenty-five voices sang the old English doxology. President Washburn, in a few words of introduction, referred to the college as a meeting-place of peace and love and fellowship for the East and West, all under the shelter of one common Father. He then led in a simple, but most fervent prayer. Three addresses were made by members of our party—Drs. Strong, Foote and Barton. The student body is made up of young men of many nationalities, ranging from sixteen to twenty-five years, of vigorous and intelligent appearance, and the warm words of the speakers were most heartily received. In conclusion, all joined in singing "America." Dear reader, did you ever sing that immortal hymn in a foreign land? Then you know my emotions as 200 Americans joined with 300 young men—Armenians, Greeks, Bulgarians, Turks and Jews—and lifted those four stanzas toward the skies. There were tears of joy and gratitude and smiles of patriotism that were worship. As we passed down to our boat, the students kept on singing the hymn and waving handkerchiefs and flags, until the campus and surrounding hills fairly rang with joyous echoes.

As we pushed out from the shore we sang "God be with you till we meet again," "Keep love's banner floating o'er you." Again there were tears and sobs, particularly by those left behind. One lady, an American, in the service of the college, buried her face in her hands to weep. A few hours later we passed the college again, to go up to the Black Sea. The Celtic band played the illustrious "Star Spangled Banner," amid the waving of flags of many lands and applause on land and on our vessel, while, high over all, from the mast of our ship and from the top of the main college building, floated the matchless Stars and Stripes. Such a demonstration was never before witnessed on those historic waters. It was an exhibition of patriotism, kinship, and Christian love on a scale that was altogether new to the people dwelling on those two opposite shores. We felt that the college and the students belonged to us, and the feeling was most fully reciprocated. We shall all cherish fragrant memories of Robert College for long years to come.

STATE STREET LOOKING EAST DURING THE GREAT FLOOD OF 1854.

THE LAMBS THAT WAIT FOR MARY.

In some country churches, a peculiar custom exists. The boys form a line outside of the church door, and wait for the girls to come out. The bashful boy, with his heart in his mouth, steps forward as the object of his adoration appears, and, in husky voice asks, "May I have the pleasure of seeing you home?" If he is not given the "mitten," a trembling hand is thrust through the "jug handle" formed by the proffered arm, and two happy hearts pass out at the meeting house gate.

It must have been some such custom that inspired the author of the following: "Mary had a litle lamb; it followed her to church, and stood around the door, like an owl upon its perch. 'Why don't the little lamb come in?' the watchful people cried. 'Why, Mary told the silly thing to watch for her outside.' So you, each gentle maiden, may one and all still find some sheephead waiting near the door, if you admire that kind."

Every Where commends this true story of Mary's little lamb up-to-date to the fellows who stand around church doors on Sunday evenings, and also to Mary, who is on the inside.

FIRST BAPTIST.

One whom every one of the older members of our congregation remebered with deep affection, Dr. A. J. Sage, one of our former pastors, passed away Monday, July 7. His last words carry an inspiring pathos in them. Mrs. Sage, speaking of the glory soon to be revealed to him, he replied, "I don't care about the glory, but I shall see God—underneath are the everlasting arms."

Many of our members are away on their vacations, but we find no lessening interest in the services from those who remain at home. Our "vacation preachers" have been giving excellent and profitable sermons.

Our delegates to the B. Y. P. U. Convention at Providence, Mr. L. C. Glazier and Mr. E. Lewis Upton, gave us very interesting reports at a recent Sunday evening meeting.

Our picnic was taken at Laurel Park, and of course a delightful day was passed.

Our Italian Mission held its first bimonthly missionary meeting under the new missionary committee, Sunday, July 27.

WETHERSFIELD METHODIST.

The Sunday-school held its annual picnic at Compounce Lake, which was much enjoyed by all.

The Rev. Harold Wilson of Wesleyan occupied the pulpit Sunday, Aug. 3.

The attendance has decreased somewhat during the vacation season.

BLOOMFIELD CONGREGATIONAL

It is the month of vacations. This church, however, is not closed and all the services go on as usual. Our pastor spent the first ten days of the month at Northfield, Mass. Superintendent Miller has taken his outing at and near New London.

Sunday, Aug. 3, Rev. Charles P. Croft of Weatogue, occupied the pulpit. Rev. E. F. Atwood, a former pastor, was the preacher Aug. 10. Miss Harriet E. Burnham took charge of the Thursday evening prayer meeting, Aug. 7.

The young ladies of the church had a sale of home-made bread, rolls and cake, Friday afternoon, Aug. 1, and will continue to hold such sales through the summer.

The Sunday-school picnic occurred Thursday, Aug. 7, at Elizabeth Park. About 125 attended and enjoyed the day. It being so near, no arrangements had to be made for the transportation of the children and all going as they pleased found it more satisfactory than going to a distance by train or trolley.

WINDSOR CONGREGATIONAL.

The Christian Endeavor Society held its meeting on the church lawn Sunday evening, Aug. 10. We cordially greeted our pastor, Rev. Roscoe Nelson, who has just returned from his vacation. Reference was made to the fact that last June completed ten years of his pastorate. We also look forward to the occupation of our new parish house, which will probably be completed in a few weeks.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

The rector and Mrs. Linsley are enjoying a vacation among the Canaan Hills in Connecticut. They intend to visit the Rhode Island shore the latter part of August.

The Rev. Mr. Mills of Canaan, Conn. conducts the services for the first three Sundays in August He preached strong sermons the first two Sundays he has been with us.

The quartette of the church have the month of August for a vacation, the chorus having had July. The music during August will be rendered by the chorus under the direction of Miss Ella R. Groom.

The attendance at the August services of the church has been very good so far.

The communion service at the early hour on the third Sunday of this month will be omitted.

The park and grounds around the church and Memorial Building are looking beautiful at this time. The shrubs, flowers, trees and grass having been refreshed and kept green by the frequent rains.

NEWINGTON CONGREGATIONAL.

Mrs. Augusta Wagner, Miss Celeste Lyon, Miss Agnes Belden and Miss Sophia Tracy attended the Conference at Northfield this last month.

The Sunday-school will hold its annual picnic on August 12, at Laurel Park.

The pastor and family are taking their annual vacation.

The contributions of the Sunday-school for three months are to be sent to Mrs. Lizzie Barrows Usher of Van, Turkey, to be used in the support of an orphan. Miss Virginia Dox gave a very interesting talk about the Mountain Whites, recently.

Mr. Charles R. Osborn and Miss Lena B. Francis will be married at the church on August 14, at 4:30 p. m.

WEST HARTFORD CONGREGATIONAL.

At the Sunday morning service, June 15, Rev. T. M. Hodgdon preached an interesting and inspiring sermon to the graduating class of the High School. The text chosen was "Whose I am and whom I serve." The members of the class occupied front seats.

Two children were presented for baptism at the July communion: Donald Goodrich Day and Giles Meigs Johnson. Elizabeth Lynn was received into the church on confession of faith.

Rev. and Mrs. T. M. Hodgdon have returned from their vacation at Princess Point, Me. During the pastor's absence the pulpit has been occupied by Rev. Mr. Forbes of New York City, Rev. Mr. Higgins, Prof. Geer and Rev. Mr. Hollingshead, all of West Hartford.

During July and August the Christian Endeavor meetings will be held at 7:30 o'clock and will be the only meeting at the church Sunday evening.

Miss Edith Day acted as delegate from our society to the Silver Bay Missionary Conference.

The C. E. Society is sending a large basket of flowers every Saturday morning to the North Street Settlement.

Union open air services, conducted by the pastors of the several churches in town, are being held each Sunday afternoon on the First Church green.

SUFFIELD STREET BAPTIST.

Although the weather is warm, the attendance at all of the services has kept up very well. Especially is this true of the Sunday-school, where the number is nearly one hundred some weeks.

The new officers have been elected in the C. E. Society, and are as follows: Pres., George Fleming; vice-pres., Hattie Morse; sec'y, Herbert Twiss; treas., Edena Marsh. We hope to do some good work as the cool weather comes again.

During July and August the Juniors have had three basket socials at the home of Miss Marsh, on Clark street. At these socials dolls were brought and dresses made. Some of our Juniors can do fine work in the way of hem-

stitching. The Juniors expect to have one or two more socials. Besides sewing, the girls play games and have a good time generally.

We are enjoying very much having Rev. Mr. Connell as our pastor. His sermons Sunday evenings are very inspiring, and everyone is cordially invited to come and hear him. We also try to have special music each Sunday evening, which is quite an attraction.

The children of the primary room of the Sunday-school are very glad to welcome back Mrs. Thompson, their former teacher, who has been away for about ten months. During her absence the children have given pennies and bought a copy of the "Good Shepherd", and have also learned a little prayer by Wesley, which they recite in concert.

The Sunday-school enjoyed their annual picnic with the home church at Laurel Park, July 23, and all report a good time.

Many of our congregation have been away for a vacation, among them, Mr. W. O. Buckley and family, Miss Inez Smith, Miss Fannie Kibbe, Mrs. Twiss and Edna Twiss. George Fleming, with his brother and sister, and Herbert Twiss, spent their vacation at Ticonderoga, the former's home. They report a very pleasant time.

MEMORIAL BAPTIST.

Our pastor, Rev. H. M. Thompson, is spending the month of August with his family at his old home in Windsor, Vt. The pulpit was supplied on Aug. 10 by Rev. J. B. Connell.

Sunday, Aug. 3, marked the fourteenth anniversary of Mr. Thompson's pastorate here. His sermon at the morning service was a brief review of the work and life of the church during the fourteen years. His work with us has been blessed in many ways, and each added year has strengthened the bond of love between pastor and people.

SOUTH CONGREGATIONAL.

As usual a number of our young people are attending the General Conference at Northfield. This place has a peculiar charm and power of attraction for us and we feel its influence throughout each year, both in our organized church work and our individual lives. Five of our number were registered at Northfield last week and report no diminution in the power which has been so evident on previous conferences, while the attendance is beyond all precedent and the accommodations for visitors, including even the seating capacity of the auditorium, are fairly taxed.

All services in our church are suspended during the current month, to be resumed in September, at which time the pastor will return from his European trip.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

The members of our church, for a time, have been almost wholly absent, the greater part attending the camp meeting at Springfied, but now, as they are wending their way homeward, services are resumed as usual.

July 18, Mr. L. F. Colton and Miss Anna L. Johnson were united in marriage at the church, the pastor, Rev. G. M. Teeple, officiating. They are both members of our church and also of our Loyal Workers Society. This is but the second marriage ceremony that has ever been performed in our little church.

SOUTH PARK METHODIST.

Our pastor and Mrs. Macmillan are on their vacation which they are spending at Silver Bay, Lake George. They intend returning about September 1st.

The services have been continued as usual during the summer, all distinctly ministerial duties of the pastor being taken care of by Rev. S. M. Stiles, of 141 Washington street.

During the four Sundays of the pastor's absence the following have, and will, conduct services: Rev. H. E. Mukett, Rev. C. E. Barto and Rev. J. T. Langlois. Our services have been well attended.

FOURTH CONGREGATIONAL.

Mr. Charles Fisher presides at the organ this month in the absence of our regular organist. On Sunday, Aug. 3, solos were rendered by Miss Pinney, Mr. Hardy and Mr. Plancon. The members of the choir are now absent on their vacation.

Mr. Gillette is spending his vacation at Revere Beach, Mass., Miss Doherty goes to Nova Scotia and Mr. Sleeper spends his vacation in Northampton.

Recent letters from Mr. Kelsey say that he is now in London and his health improving rapidly. He leaves there for home soon and expects to be here about September 12th, presiding at the communion service, Sunday, Sep. 14.

August 3, in the evening, Miss Kate C. LeGrange of La Follette, Tennessee, spoke on "The A. M. A. Work Among the Poor Whites of Tennessee." Rev. Mr. Ide, assistant pastor of the South church of New Britain, led the service on Aug. 10. Miss Virginia Dox, of Berea College, spoke on Aug. 17. On Aug. 24, Rev. R. H. Potter will address us and Mr. Barker will probably conduct the remaining services.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, EAST HARTFORD.

Our church has sustained the loss of three of its members within one week. Mr. Albert Gaines, 83 years old, who had been identified with the church music for many years. He was chosen choir leader about 1845 and continued in that position for a quarter of a century. Mrs. Caroline Bragg was another of our oldest members.

Mr. Robert Pratt was a very promising young man whose untimely death is a severe loss to his family and the church.

Our Endeavor meetings are suspended during the month of August.

Our pastor is spending part of his vacation at his old home in Goshen, N. Y.

WETHERSFIELD BAPTIST.

Our pastor, Rev. Mr. Elsden, is very slowly recovering from his severe sickness and hopes to be able soon to resume his church work. The pulpit is supplied every Sabbath morning.

WINDSOR METHODIST.

At the semi-annual meeting of the Epworth League, the following officers were elected: Pres., Mrs. J. F. Dunkerke; 1st vice-pres., Wm. R. Roberts; 2nd vice-pres., Mrs. O. G. Arnurius; 3d vice-pres. Mrs. Alex. McKimmon; 4th vice-pres., Miss Blanche Hummel; sec. and treas., Miss Emma Booth.

Our church engaged in union services with the Congregational church for two Sunday mornings, which were greatly enjoyed. On July 20, Prof. Beardslee gave an excellent discourse in our church on Ps. 137: 5, and on July 27, the pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, Rev. J. F. Dunkerke, preached the sermon in the Congregational church.

Our Sunday-school went for its annual outing to Elizabeth Park, Hartford, on July 16, and a most ideal day and time and dinner were enjoyed by upwards of 90 people.

Rev. D. M. Stiles, of Hartford, will preach in our church Sunday, Aug. 17.

In the absence of our pastor on his vacation, Rev. Wm. R. Roberts will preach Aug. 31 and Sept. 7.

A number of our people enjoyed the Annual Assembly and Camp Meeting at Plainville, the past few weeks.

FARMINGTON AVENUE CONGREGATIONAL.

Dr. M. F. Burnham of St. Louis, Mo., has been occupying the pulpit the past two Sundays, and has made our C. E. meetiugs a delight, even with our small members by his very interesting talks.

Our pastor, Mr. Love, is in Europe, and we trust that his rest will be beneficial, aud we look eagerly for his return.

The Chinese Sunday-school holds summer sessions at 5 o'clock, and all are welcome.

WETHERSFIELD CONGREGATIONAL.

Our pastor will be away the last four Sabbaths in August, spending part of the time in Northfield and part in western Massachusetts.

Our annual Sunday-school picnic took place on Aug. 6, going to Laurel Park and having three special cars.

Professor Sawyer, who is in town for the summer, is conducting the church prayer meetings during our pastor's absence.

Rev. Johu Barstow preached for us on Aug. 9, and will preach agaiu on Aug. 30.

NEW BRITAIN AVE. MISSION.

The Sunday-school and the Wednesday evening prayer meeting are the only services held just now. Considering the weather conditions, and that it is vacation time the attendance is good. The Sunday evening preaching service will be resumed in September.

Several of the active youug people of the mission have observed the vacation season. Messrs. Richard Joslyn and Henry E. Gage made Old Orchard Beach, Portland and Kenuebunkport, Maine, objective points, while the Misses Alice Agard, Ella Myers and Gertrude Rothschild were contented with Marblehead, Mass. Mrs. Webb and Mrs. C. J. Clare are sojourning at Woodfords, Maiue.

NORTH METHODIST.

Our pastor, Rev. D. W. Howell, aud wife, are spending their vacation in western Pennsylvania, the home of Mrs. Howell.

The Sunday-school shows the effects of the vacation season. Supt. Howard A. Camp will spend the last two weeks of August at the shore. The Sunday-school orchestra will resume practice in September.

Miss Elsie J. Dresser, our organist, is spending her mouth's vacation at So. Hatley, Canada. Miss E. J. Cairns, Miss Bessie Fisher and Miss Bessie Scranton are away.

The camp meeting this year was very successful. Many of our members attended. A new cottage is to be built on the No. Methodist church lot next season.

BUSINESS AND PLEASURE.

Ask a person: "What kind of a noise annoys an oyster?" After the victim has given it up he is told, "A noisy noise annoys an oyster." It's awful when you say it quick.

Jones. That was a scathing sermon on mean men the parson gave us last Suuday. Wonder what Smith thought about it?

Brown. Singular! I met Simth yesterday, and he said he'd like to know your opinion of it.

"I have three reasons for voting and working for No-license. They are two girls and a boy."

Have your decorating for the President's visit, done by McClunie, the Decorator. He has had years of experience, he possesses excellent taste and his assortment of flags, bunting, etc., is large and varied enough to suit all requirements. Place your order with him in good season.

"Why do you not eat your apple, Tommy?"

"I'm waiting till Johnny Briggs comes along. Apples taste much better when there's some other fellow to watch you eat 'em."

"Hear about that American youug woman paying $1,000,000 for a cigarette holder?"

"Get out!"

"Fact. I believe it also had a title or something."

THE FALCON.

The only reliable day boat on the Connecticut river is the Falcon, which leaves near the foot of State street each morning (except Friday) at 8:30, returning at about 9 p. m. It is a speedy, clean, boat and cleanly managed in every respect. For a trip to Saybrook, with a few hours stop there, this trip is the most popular.

"How do you know he loves you?" said Miss Cayenne.

"He writes me such beautiful letters."

"Humph! That isn't love. That's literature."

"Mrs. Salmon's got a dog that likes me," said little Emily, coming home from a visit to her aunt.

"How do you know he likes you?" her mother asked.

"'Cause he tasted me, aud then wagged his tail," answered the little girl.—The Pilot.

The memorial tablet erected in the Metropolitan Methodist Church, Washington, in memory of President McKinley, has been uuveiled. It is of white marble and bears the inscription:

"In Memory of William McKinley,
President of the United States.
Born January 29, 1843;
Died September 14, 1901.
Fourteen years a member of Congress.
Twice Governor of Ohio, and
Twice President of the United States.
A Man of Immaculate Purity, he
Walked in Perfect and Noble
Self Control.
He Fell in the Zenith of His Power
and in the Glory of a Matchless
Career."

In two lines, one above and one below the inscription proper, are the words, "Nearer My God to Thee" and "Thy Will not Mine be Done."

TESTIMONY FROM THE BENCH.

Judge McAuley, of Kansas City, in committing a "plain drunk," gave utterauce to the following: "If I had my way I would not only close every saloon in the couuty Suuday and week days, but I would stop the sale of intoxicating liquor in any shape or for any purpose whatever. I would make it a crime to manufacture the stuff. This may be far reaching, but the seutiment is justified by the sights and experiences in this court room. Ninety-five per cent of the cases tried here are the direct results of whiskey; the other five per cent. includes morphine and cocaine fiends and a few petty grievauces that come before me for adjustment.

"The woes that arise from the use of whiskey, the ruiued men and women, the broken families, the griefs and tears all aired in this court are enough to turn gray the hair ou a buffalo robe."

The application blank for employment used by the M. K. & T. Ry. Co., begins with the following statement: "I hereby apply for a situation as ————, and if accepted, agree to observe all rules and regulations, to pay all bills promptly each mouth, to maintain strict iutegrity of character, to abstain from the use of iutoxicating liquors, to avoid visiting saloous and places of low resort, or where liquor is sold, and to perform my duties to the best of my ability." This is an indicatiou of the drift of sentiment. It is becoming harder each year for the moderate drinker to get a situation, or, if it is known that he drinks, to keep it, and it will grow harder and harder as the years go by.

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REST AND RECREATION.

The season is upon us when moderate living is in order for all who can possibly take a rest from their customary vocation and when a change of habitation is in order for all who have the time and means for a sojourn at the shore, or mountains, or in the country.

On the same principal that a wise Creator ordained one day in seven for a period of rest, it is not unreasonable to suppose that one or two weeks ont of fifty-two, can also be spent profitably in rest.

But rest may not mean mere idleness. Change of air, of scenery, of environment, and of faces—these constitute an important factor in rest. Change of occupation forms quite an important one. And though we may still live strennously during vacation, we may come back well rested, our recreation having literally, and in no mean measure, re-created us, and fitted us for more effective work in the future.

We speak of "making the most of our vacation" and perhaps, in order to do so, are almost ceaselessly active during its period; but constant tennis, or golf, will not carry us to the end of the horizon, nor to the top of the hills. Let us take time to view the height of the hills, the spreading horizon, the depths of the valleys. Find what things are on the ocean's floor besides its waters and what things are enclosed in the dome overhead besides the air we breathe.

That vacation is surely most unprofitable which does not expand our whole nature. It may be actively or quietly spent, but it should open up to us new vistas in many directions; it should clear the cobwebs and dust from our brains, as well as quicken the pulse of the body.

The narrow walls between which we spend too much of our time, surely tend to narrow our whole natnre. So much the more important, then, that we allow our natures to expand to the uttermost when vacation affords the opportunity.

OPEN AIR WORK.

Against the general apathy prevailing in church affairs during the summer months, one pleasing contrast is afforded by the Open Air Movement which is assnming an important position in the religious world.

In the city of Pittsburg, under the leadership of Rev. S. Edward Young, the parks of that city are crowded on Snndays, afternoon and evening, to hear the gospel.

In Philadelphia, ten tents are in steady use for holding meetings and a very great number of people are reached in that way.

In Boston, Dr. Dixon, and others, attract large audiences at the baseball grounds. In New York large tents are filled each night with interested hearers.

Hartford is quite abreast of the movement. The Gospel Wagon has become a familiar object to many, though comparatively few probably realize the grand work it has accomplished, under the direction of Mr. B. N. B. Miller, and his zealous associates.

The Salvation Army out-door meetings appeal to a great many also, who are not otherwise reached.

A series of meetings has recently been inaugurated at Riverside Park, under the direction of Mr. Day, who has some able assistance. And Arba Lankton still raises his voice in the cause of temperance.

Such meetings as these seem eminently reasonable, and it is hoped that they may prove more than a passing fad. The audiences are orderly and respectful to a surprising degrce, and while the number of actual permanent converts may be somewhat meagre, the influence of the meetings is certainly greater than can be measnred.

CHINESE TARIFF TREATY ARTICLES AFFECTING CHRISTIANITY.

Much interest is manifested in the news cabled from China to the effect that the Chinese Tariff Commissioners have drawn np six articles which they propose to embody in the new commercial treaty. These articles, it is cabled, are as follows: The first provides that no bad characters shall be admitted into the church; the second, that the missionaries shall have no right to interfere in the matter of lawsnits, which must be settled entirely by the proper officials; the third, that missionaries shall be empowered to report cases of persecution; the fourth, that converts to the Christian religion shall be exempt from paying tribute for festivities in honor of idols, but shall be liable to all other taxes; the fifth, that missionaries shall be especially prohibited from concealing bad characters from the representatives of the law and the sixth, that all property owned by a Christian church must be held in the name of that church and that only property so held shall, when damaged or destroyed, be regarded as a basis for claim for damages. In case of property owned by a church, the title to which rests with a private individnal, the government cannot be appealed to for indemnity. Those persons who are informed in regard to affairs in China say that while there is nothing on the face of these provisions that appears to be repugnant to justice to Christian churches and missionary societies they fear that under Chinese administration they may be perverted to be so. The question is also raised as to whether, under the above provisions, the missionary societies may acquire title to property which will be protected from depredations under penalty of loss to the government or whether all titles must be vested in the church proper. This question will probably be taken up with Secretary Hay or one of his assistants in the near fnture, as it is regarded as essential that the missionary societies shall have the right to own land and buildings nnder the same conditions as wonld prevail in the case of church ownership.

TEMPERANCE CANTEENS.

Acting under the provisions of the last military appropriation bill, the Secretary of War has issued instrnc-

tions for the organization of a board of army officers to determine on the locations and plans for the new army canteens for which purpose $500,000 is set aside. Present plans contemplate that these "canteens" shall contain reading and amusement rooms, a library and a gymnasium and a lunch room. Their object is to afford the enlisted men every opportunity for innocent amusement and self-culture. Laudable as these purposes are, there is manifest a spirit of dissatisfaction among the army officers at the War Department because of the provision that no liquor shall be sold in the canteens. It is stated, that substantial buildings will be erected and everything possible will be done to make the canteens attractive. With the funds at hand there is no reason why they cannot fulfill every purpose for which they are intended and failure to make them do so will due to the half hearted spirit with which certain officers are inclined to view the "temperance canteen."

THE COAL STRIKE.

The coal strike has reached an extreme and pitiful condition and the pitifulness of it seems to be all on one side. No need to waste sympathy on the operators—they have a sure thing so far as their own profits go and though business may be dull in their line just now, it will come with so much more of a rush later on, and the more pressing the demand then, the better price can be realized. But the starving and desperate miner is indeed an object for sympathy. How many of us would be willing to take his place, even if he secures every thing he is now striking for?

Many of our pastors have been awa during the past few weeks, and we hope that they are, one and all, having a good time and securing plenty of live material for good sermons in the months ahead, and storing up plenty of energy for the work to be done.

We have been consoled in their absence by many able substitutes, many of them visitors from other cities.

The liquor papers are constantly boasting over the failure of prohibition to prohibit. They exploit every violation of the law, evidently forgetful of the fact that instead of discrediting the law, they simply emphasize the factthat the liquor dealers are an anarchistic law breaking, law defying class, and the sooner the government takes a decided stand for their suppression the better and safer it will be for the republic.

The statistician of the International Sunday-school Association reports that only about one-fifth of those who go out of the Sunday-school unconverted are ever brought to Christ. It is very important, therefore, that all the children be brought into the school and kept there.

Thoughtlessness is never an excuse for wrongdoing. Our hasty actions disclose as does nothing else our habitual feelings.---Walter Taylor Field.

A COUNTRY WITHOUT STRIKES.

New Zealand has done the most daring things ever attempted by any modern government. The New Zealanders claim, as one of the results of their system of government, that New Zealand is a country without strikes. Laborers and employers have their disputes there as elsewhere, but the one cannot quit work or the other lock out workmen, pending a settlement of the dispute in courts. It is also a country without paupers or poorhouses, for injured workmen are cared for by the employer. The aged workman is pensioned by the government as a soldier of industry worn out in the ranks. The government owns not only the postal system, but the express service, the telegraph lines, and the railroads. Recently it has purchased a coal mine to supply its locomotives with fuel, and it intends to compete with private mines, in the sale of coal to the public, far enough to keep the price of coal down to a reasonable figure.

Large sums of money had to be borrowed to inaugurate all the enterprises and as they looked hazardous to the capitalist, interest rates were high. Now, however according to Premier Sedden, the government's conduct of its business has been so wise and so profitable that all enterprises have paid large returns and New Zealand can borrow money on better terms than England can, and there is not a pauper in the whole country. To the man seeking better conditions under which to work out what there is in him, there is a wonderful attraction about such a country.---The Little Chronicle.

GETTING THE BEST IN BUSINESS EDUCATION.

Thousands of young men and women in Connecticut to-day are thinking of fitting themelves for places in the business world. They have not the time or money to spare to fit for a professional career, if they wished it. If prepared to enter college, that course, the subsequent training in law, medicine or theology, and the

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getting fairly started afterwards will take ten good years at least. Young men make fortunes these days in less time than that, and the percentage of failures—using that word in its broad sense—is quite as small in the business as in the professional ranks.

The work of the business school is to prepare those in attendance to avail themselves of these dazzling opportunities. It cannot create brains, or make a success of the youth who lacks the element of it. It can, in a comparatively few months' time, if it is a school worthy of the name, put the faithful capable pupil in a way to enter the open door with credit to himself and satisfaction to his employer, and if it is a school of the highest character, its endorsement will open many doors which otherwise would be closed to him, and opportunity will seek him instead of being pursued by him.

Many so-called business colleges in the past have been a delusion and a snare, their graduates find themselves both untrained and mistrained when tested by ACTUAL BUSINESS PRACTICE, and worse off than if they had never entered them. Some of these have become extinct, most of the others have improved, but many of them still leave much to be desired.

There is a best in business schools, as in everything else, by which all others are compared and their excellence rated by their approach to it.

Three hundred and seventy-five named Hartford business houses, including practically every prominent one in the city are employing and commending its graduates; more than a thousand of these, through Mr. Huntsinger's influence, have obtained desirable positions within the past sixty-eight months.

Who, contemplating preparation for a life-work, would willingly accept anything less when the best was offered? Who would prefer risk of failure to certainty of success? Huntsinger graduates are sought because business men have learned what the training at Huntsinger's is, and have learned by painful experience what that of some other institutions is not.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

HARTFORD UNION NOTES.

The annual meeting of the Union will come in October. It is hoped that every one interested will make an effort to have it the best meeting we have ever held.

The Boston Endeavorers are planning to give all a royal welcome at the New England Convention, Oct. 15-16-17-18, and all who can should attend.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

Prayer Meeting Committee Suggestions.

One of the needs of many of our societies is more prayer not only in the meetings but in preparation for the same. A plan which has been greatly blessed in my own society, as well as in others, is that of a preliminary meeting of the prayer meeting committee and leader fifteen minutes before the regular meeting. At this meeting each person present offers a prayer for God's blessing upon the meeting, the leader, or the society's work. If a member of the committee is obliged to be absent, a substitute is sent. In every society there are members who take part in the meetings with quotations. They need to be developed, and this work is one of the privileges of the prayer meeting committee. Make out a list of questions or take those published in the C. E. World and give one to a "verse reder," asking him to answer it in the meeting in his own words. If the person thinks that they cannot do it without notes, tell them to write out their answer and read it. Sometimes the questions which have been given out are read by the leader and the person having the question answering it then. Another way is for the one having the question, to read it and then give the answer. The way which I think is best is for the person having the question to give a testimony in such a way as to answer the question without first stating it. After the meeting be sure to give the beginner an encouraging word, for many times they will think that they have made a failure, although their halting words have helped many present. After they have once taken part in this way, encourage them to continue and if possible find their own questions.

EDWIN H. MUNGER, President.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS.

(From the Presbyterian C. E. Manual)

Sun., Aug. 17. Topic—The Life of Faith. Gen. 12: 1-5; Heb. II: 1-6.

God often asks hard things—the life of faith is not easy.

The hard way leads to blessing—blessing which cannot be got in an easy way.

The life of faith is to be a life of blessing to others— "Be thou a blessing."

The life of faith obeys God, asking no questions—"So Abram went."

Faith makes invisible things real as if they were visible.

A person in whom we disbelieve cannot well be our friend. Nor can he help us if we refuse to trust him. Our attitude makes it impossible that any affection should grow up beween us. Distrust poisons a personal relation absolutely, and must always do so.

This is why faith in God is the essential attitude of a Christian mind—of the mind of any one who desires to know and serve God. As we trust a friend, we must trust God. As we believe an honest man's promise we must believe God's. As we accept the help of one in whom we have confidence, so we must accept God's help.

Sun., Aug. 24. Topic—Freedom for Service. II Tim. 2: 4; Gal. 5: 1; Heb. 12:1, 2.

Christ sets us free that we may be free indeed. We should not rush back into sin's bondage.

We are set free not to be idle but to serve--taking Christ's yoke which is easy, but which binds us to serve him.

There are two kinds of liberty—that in which a man is free to do as he pleases and that in which he is free to do as he ought. The latter is Christian liberty, the former, heathen license.

The man who looks for license in the Christian life is deceiving himself. We cannot take liberties with our salvation. The liberty wherewith Christ has made us free is a noble and a righteous freedom, not a permission to do evil and then be forgiven.

Sun., Aug. 31. Topic—Communion and Transformation. Ex. 34: 29-35; Luke 9: 28, 29.

It was staying long in the presence of God that made Moses' face shine.

Moses received from God what he gave to the people. We must listen before we can speak.

It was while praying that Jesus was transfigured. A life of prayer always transfigures—if not the face, certainly the life.

The subject of our prayer depends upon the object of our prayer. If the object we have in view is to get the things we want we shall make our own welfare the unceasing subject of our petitions. The fulfilling of our own will, not of God's, will be the burden of our prayer. This sort of prayer can claim no promise of answer, and bring no blessing.

But when the object of prayer is to conform our will to God's, our prayer is always answered to the full. When God communes with man, not finite wants, but infinite needs, are met in the soul. Why should we ask petty things when we might ask for great ones and get them.

God is a person. We come into personal communion with him through prayer. Moses spoke to God. Elijah heard him on Horeb. Those days are past, but we meet God in prayer as truly and as closely as they did.

Sun., Sept. 7. Topic—Ready for His Coming. Luke 12: 31-40.

The first thing in our thought and seeking should always be God's kingdom. If it is thus with us, we need give ourselves no anxiety about other things.

The way to be ready to meet our Lord when he comes unannounced is to be always at our work, with duty faithfully done to the last moment.

Those whom Christ finds diligent and faithful at his coming he will honor, inviting them to his table and himself serving them.

The coming of Christ will be sudden, unheralded; if we would be surely ready we must keep always ready. If we are one hour off our guard that may be the hour when he will come.

According to the newspapers, in this day and age of the world, very few persons merely "die." The banker "passes in his checks," the cashier "goes to his last account," the mugwump "joins the great majority," the cobbler "breathes his last," the saloon keeper "seeks the spirit land," the gambler "shuffles off," the stable man "kicks the bucket," the spiritualistic medium "gives up the ghost," the accountant "goes to his long reckoning," the foot ball player "makes his last goal," and the baseball player "hits the home plate," and the editor "suspends publication."

YOUNG WOMEN'S BRANCH WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN ASS'N.

The three children's clubs will have no more meetings till September. The last meeting for the summer was held out of doors, it was so warm inside.

The lunch room is now very successful. The vacation season has caused a slight lessening of visits from old patrons, for which we feel thankful as we are now improving a house next door as a necessary addition to our dining room. Miss Williams had charge in Miss Calder's absence.

It is with sincere regret that Miss Calder's many friends will learn that she is to leave the local association, to take charge as General Secretary of the Y. W. C. A. at Mount Holyoke College. Miss Julia Robinson will take Miss Calder's place as General Secretary.

The children's clubs have their picnics at Laurel Park this year, going in separate parties on three different occasions.

Hawaii has King's Daughters' Circles engaged in special and loving work for the King. The same report comes from England, Turkey, Bulgaria, Japan, Germany, France, the Danish West Indies, China, India, New Zealand and other countries. We may paraphrase the song dear to the hearts of temperance workers, and say:

All 'round the world
The purple bands are twined,
All 'round the world
The Gospel light has shined.
All 'round the world
Our King has right of way—
We'll take the world for Christ's own kingdom,
Some glad day.
—Christian Intelligencer.

"I don't see," said the old man, "why chopping wood isn't just about as good exercise and just as enjoyable as playing golf."

"It is the walking between strokes that makes golf so valuable as an exercise," explained the boy. "That equalizes matters and gives the legs the exercise that they need."

Thus it happened that the old man went out into the yard and placed sticks of wood at intervals all around it, after which he handed the boy an ax and told him to play the full course.

HARTFORD CHARITIES.

The Good Will Club has made a new departure this summer in organizing a vacation military camp. Miss Hall was greatly interested in the project and gave the use of a house and grounds owned by her at Marlboro, Conn. The name, Camp Gilbert, was given in honor of Major Gilbert, who several years ago introduced military drill into the club. The drilling is now in charge of Major Steele.

The Courant Fresh Air Fund which now amounts to over $1200, has been the means of many pleasant outings for women and children on trolley excursions. This year the picnics have been to Rainbow Park, which is well adapted for the purpose.

The Children's Aid Society is to take the children of the Newington Home for Incurables for a three week's outing at Woodmont, Conn., where a cottage will be occupied from Aug. 14.

The public bath-houses have been patronized more this season than ever before and indirectly perhaps there is no local work proving more profitable.

TEMPERANCE FRANCE.

The French Anti-Alcohol Society, in pursuance of its campaign against strong drink, is displaying on walls and other suitable places in Paris small bills, on which are printed short sentences calculated to give pause to bibulous persons, such as the following: "Alcohol nowadays is responsible for more ravages than pestilence, famine or war.—Gladstone." "Alcohol is no more a digestive than an apetizer. In whatever shape it presents itself it is a poison.---Fransisque Sarcey." "Do you know what that man is drinking from the glass which shakes in his trembling hand? He is drinking the tears and the blood and the life of his wife and children.--Lamonnais." "Alcohol gives neither health nor strength nor warmth nor happiness. It does nothing but harm. --Tolstoi."

There was an advertisement, in one of the daily papers, to this effect:—"WANTED, a nice cottage and grounds in exchange for a lot of liquors." Multitudes of drinking men have made such an exchange. Not only property, but happiness, home, the welfare of friends, character, prospects, everything, have they exchanged for intoxicating liquors. So men sell their characters and clear conscience for money, for honors, for pleasures. They sell their souls for the world, and find that they have sold for naught as Esau for a mess of pottage, and Judas thirty pieces of silver.—Sel.

WARBURTON CHAPEL.

Our twice postponed picnic was finally held on Wednesday, July 9, at Laurel Park instead of going to White Oak, as originally planned. The day proved pleasant and, although some of the teachers and scholars had left the city for the summer vacation, still our company taxed the capacity of the four special cars besides those who came during the day on the regular cars, 275 in all being of our party.

Lunch was served at noon and the many and varied attractions at Laurel Park caused the time to pass very pleasantly, without serious mishap of any kind to mar the day.

The Sunday-school meets as usual during the summer. During July the average attendance was 105, while for the same month one year ago, it was 98.

Flowers which are brought every Sunday to be used for decorations are distributed after Sunday-school among the scholars or sent to the sick in the neighborhood.

The summer choir is another feature attractive and helpful during the months when the attendance is smaller than at other seasons. The members of the summer choir are girls from the intermediate classes, under the leadership of Mrs. H. D. Tracy.

During the absence of the superintendent in July, Rev. Elliott F. Talmadge and Mr. Solon P. Davis had charge of the school.

On July 16, Miss Margaret Eaton, a teacher in the intermediate department, was married to John Francis Saunders, assistant secretary of the primary department.

In the ancient games, the slaves ran for their lives and only one could win. How they ran! The veins stood out like whipcords! The muscles swelled with the tremendous exertion! The teeth were set; the eyeballs almost started from their sockets! The perspiration oozed from every pore! Then after the fearful struggle for life, it proved all in vain for the vast majority. Only one was set free. The others strained every nerve and lost. Not so with those running the Christian race. None will fail who do their best. There is a laurel wreath for every one. "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life."—M. W. Haynes, D. D.

Inquiring Philosopher: "To what do you attribute the increasing number of old maids in this section."

Astute Native: "I couldn't quite say, but seems to me as if it might be due to the increasin' number of old bachelors about here."—New York Weekly.

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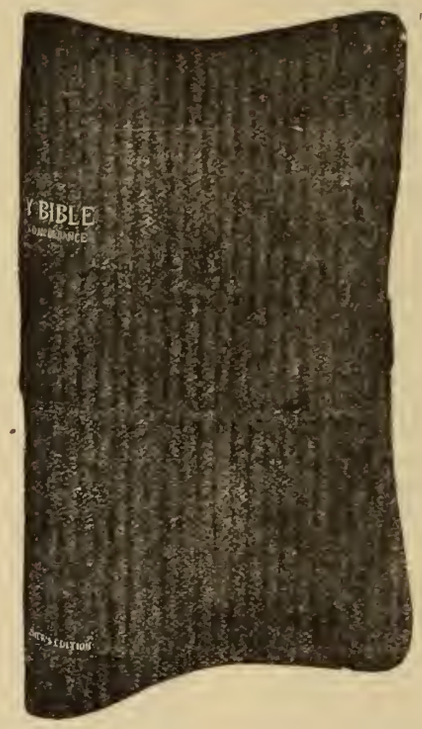

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Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

During the vacation period activities in the Association building are not so prominent as in the winter. Much of the time of the employees is occupied in work preparatory to the winter season. The renovation and repairing of different departments is being looked after. Printed matter to advertise the various privileges for the coming season has been decided upon and is now in the printer's hands.

Mr. George A. Gregg, Educational Director, has returned from a month's vacation in Canada, and is now actively engaged in completing arrangements for the coming season of the Hillyer Institute. From indications it is expected that there will be a large enrollment of students. Several new branches of study will be introduced. A handsome illutrated catalogue will soon be issued and will be sent to anyone making a request for it.

S. Wales Dixon, Physical Director, is now enjoying a much needed vacation, and will be on duty again Sept. 1st.

The program of Sunday afternoon meetings for men has been completed and definite plans are being made for an aggressive religious campaign this coming winter.

THE OPEN HEARTH.

Anyone who has been familiar with the summer work of the Open Hearth in the past, must easily see how the new home has widened its possibilities of usefulness. All the out of door opportunities of the mission during previous summers has been a narrow sand yard, largely without shade, and not to be compared with its successor shaded by trees and occupying but a corner of the new mission grounds. The plan for individual garden plots, where the neighbors might raise the flowers denied by their tenement quarters, has been attended by the greatest success. Both the soil which is rich and the damp season have combined to make the growth luxuriant, and the generosity of Mr. Whiting, who, at the opening of the season, supplied flowers at a nominal price, has been multiplied in the way in which the plants have grown and blossomed. The gate opens to scores of children who come in to enjoy the swings, the grass plots, the Ping Pong table and the flowers, and many of the older people enjoy a like privilege.

The evening audiences, particularly on Sunday and Wednesday evenings, have been very large for the summer season, and the children's meetings have also been much better attended than usual.

The children's library, recently started, is assuming a considerable size, and now has about three hundred books scattered up and down Front, Charles, Kilbourn, Mechanic, Arch, and Morgan streets. Library days serve as occasions to scatter magazines, and about once a week a magazine is given away with every book that goes out of the library, thus reaching the home and supplanting temporarily at least, worthless literature.

During the month Mr. Miller and his assistants have conducted three Courant Fresh Air excursions to Rainbow Park, giving an outing to seven hundred persons.

The Gospel Wagon work has been well supported by the clergymen and ministers of the city, the Rev. Burdette B. Brown of Parkville, Rev. H. R. Nara of West Hartford and Rev. George T. Linsley, Rev. Ernest deF. Miel, Rev. D. W. Howell, and Rev. J. A. Macmillan of this city, having given their services during July to speak at one or more of the services held on Sunday afternoons.

THE SALVATION ARMY.

No doubt the good people of Hartford who are interested in the social welfare of the poor, will be pleased to know that the Salvation Army Industrial Home, No. 33 Spruce street, is doing even through the trying summer months a very good work. From April 15 to Aug. 8, 1760 poor men have found shelter in this Home. The majority of those men worked at hard labor, and know how to appreciate good clean lodgings such as they obtain here for the small sum of 10 cents per night.

It is also worth mentioning that more than three thousand articles of clothing have passed through our hands into the homes of the very poor. At present we are unable to meet the needs of the people who come to our Home for clothing and shoes. Our team is always ready to call for things given to the Home, on receipt of a postal card. Please help us in this good work. God bless you!

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BENJAMIN FRANKLIN'S TOAST.

Perhaps one of the wittiest toasts on record is that of Franklin. After the victories of Washington had made his name well known throughout Europe, Franklin chanced to dine with the French and English ambassadors, when these toasts were drunk: The son of Britain arose and proudly remarked, "England—the sun whose beams enlighten and fructify the remotest corners of the earth. The Frenchman, glowing with national pride, drunk: "France—the moon whose mild, steady, cheering rays are the delight of all nations; consoling them in darkness and making their dreariness beautiful " This furnished Franklin with a fine opening and his quaint humor bubbled over in his retort: "George Washington—the Joshua, who commanded the sun and moon to stand still, and they obeyed him."—Red Cross Journal.

BEECHER'S DEFUNCT LETTER.

General James McLeer, of Brooklyn, says the Eagle, has a characteristic letter written by Henry Ward Beecher. It came into the possession of General McLeer while he was postmaster of Brooklyn, and was sent in response to a notice sent to Beecher that a letter of his had been returned from the Dead Letter Office. It runs thus:—

October 28, 1880.

"Colonel McLeer:

Dear Sir—Your notice that a letter of mine was dead and subject to my order is before me.

"We must all die! And though the premature decease of my poor letter should excite a proper sympathy (and I hope it does), yet I am greatly sustained under the affliction.

"What was the date of its death? Of what did it die? Had it in its last hours proper attention and such consolation as befit the melancholy occasion? Did it have any effects?

"Will you kindly see to its funeral? I am strongly inclined to cremation.

"May I ask if any other letters of mine are sick, dangerously sick! If any depart this life hereafter, don't notify me till after the funeral.

Affectionately yours,

"Henry Ward Beecher."

Mr. Bacon. I see by this paper that ice one and one-half inches thick will support a man.

Mrs. Bacon. I always said there was an enormous profit in ice, John.

ADDITIONAL BOOK NOTICES.

Margaret Vincent. By Mrs. W. K. Clifford. 356 pages, 12 mo. New York: Harper & Bros. Price $1.50.

The anthor of the remarkable "Love Letters of a Worldly Woman" and "Mrs. Keith's Crime" tells in this, her latest work, the romantic adventures of a beautiful girl of noble family who runs away from home and goes to London.

There she essays a stage career for a time and attains a high position through her great talent, although her success gives her little gratification.

The story is full of excellent and clever character studies and has some very dramatic scenes.

Miss Petticoats. By Dwight Tilton. 377 pages, 12 mo. Boston: C. M. Clark Publishing Co. Price $1.50.

The heroine lives with her grandfather in an old whaling ship which for many years is tied up to one of he wharves of a New England whaling town.

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The Rustler. By Frances McElrath. 425 pages, 12 mo. New York: Funk & Wagnalls Co. Price $1.20.

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The principal male character becomes a "rustler," one who puts his private brand on cattle belonging to others, thereafter claiming them as his own. This not entirely admirable pursuit is abandoned at length through the influence of the heroine of the story, an English woman visiting in the West. Her character is a remarkably strong one, and in many respects her personality a new one to literature.

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MISSIONARY NOTES.

John G. Paton, the apostle of the South Seas, has gone back to the New Hebrides, at the age of seventy-eight, to do what more he can to complete the Christianizing of the group. Three thousand are active communicants and nearly 20,000 nominally Christian; but there are over 40,000 still heathen, many of them cannibals.

Christian comity has won a great victory in Cuba. At a conference in February the representatives of the missionary societies voted to have but "one denomination in cities of 6,000 inhabitants, two denominations in cities of 15,000 inhabitants, and three denominations in cities of 25,000."

In Porto Rico the Methodists are said to have 7 missionaries, 10 congregations, 800 native and 200 American adherents; the Presbyterians, 4 missionaries, 12 congregations, 1,350 native and 150 American adherents; the Episcopalians, 3 congregations 300 native and 150 American members. Six other Protestant churches have representatives in this island.

As there has long been a Union church in Shanghai, arrangements have recently been made for the organization of a similar church in Peking. American citizens there, through Minister Conger, have petitioned the State Department in Washington, for a site in the American Legation quarter, in order that it may be accessible to all residents in the British Legation and our own. Minister Conger himself has made a generous subscription to the new building.

The British Methodists have now in their Twentieth Century Treasury $4,500,000. They have more than enough subscribed to reach the amount they determined to raise, $5,000,000, and are making a special effort to have the entire amount on hand by the end of the year so that the money may be distributed to the different funds. No doubt they will succeed.

I learned many things when I was in the country. I learned that on most New England farms, whilst there is a man hired to help with the outside work, very seldom is there a woman hired to help with the inside work. We went into these homes of New England farmers to try and lighten the burdens of the farmers' wives. And then I learned another thing, that out on these hills of New England and down in these valleys—it is true of New York State, and of Ohio and of every state and territory in this Union, when it comes to the problem of the rural districts—men and women are living there who are absolutely heathen. . . .

We are apt to think that all heathen are across the sea. I want to tell you that you will find more heathen than you ever dreamed of, if you will take the trouble to go out just a few miles from some of the centers of civilization.—Miss M. Dean Moffatt.

The eastern part of New Mexico is almost untouched by the Gospel.

Since 1793—formal organization in 1798—Connecticut has contributed to Congregational Home Missions $4,293,090.60.

THE LIQUOR BUSINESS SIZED UP

The American Grocer states that the drink bill of the United States cost the consumers last year a billion and sixty million dollars for the liquor alone, to say nothing of the consequential damages to society resulting from the exhilaration consequent on the drinking, and chalked up in terms of broken heads, cut throats, blackened eyes, poverty and tears, divorce and suicides.

From this great aggregate there can be deducted a considerable sum for labor done, the solid comfort of a cold bottle lying next to the human gizzard, the comradery of a chatting of people over their frothy mugs, the delectable cutting of the cobwebs in the throat, the stimulation to digestion, the inspiration given to thought, the loosening of tongues, and that feeling of wealth and opulence which a schooner of beer imparts to a hobo.

How much these credits will aggregate is problematical, but the writer, being a Yankee, with the racial indigo cuticle under the vest, will venture the suggestion that the sixty millions would embrace all the positive good the stuff drunken has done, and so leave a billion-dollar balance to the bad, a not very profitable investment on the whole.—Tulare Register.

A minister, lecturing on Belshazzar's feast, wound up by saying, "And all this happened my brethren, while Belshazzar was in a state of intoxication." Then, closing his book, he added, "And thus we shall leave him for another week."

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A quartette of great fiction writers appears in the Fiction (August) number of Scribner's Magazine—Rudyard Kipling, James M. Barrie, F. Hopkinson Smith and Richard Harding Davis.

Although the August Century is a Midsummer Holiday Number, with colored cover and illustrations in color, the general reader will be likely to turn first to the articles relating to the West Indian disasters. These include contemporary records of the action of both volcanoes from day to day, almost from hour to hour. The Martinique material is grouped under the title "The Last Days of St. Pierre."

No one has recounted the risking of his own neck more blithely and vivaciously than M. Santos-Dumont, in his first paper on "How I Became an Aeronaut," in McClure's for August. It is evident that M. Dumont believes that the aeronaut, like that other soarer, the poet, is born, not made.

Something that should draw one from a state of lethargy and carelessness is a new sketch by Mrs. Martha McCulloch-Williams, entitled, "The Idlers," which will appear in Success for September. It is the story of a man, a donkey, and some beavers, and it is told in Mrs. Williams's best style.

"The House that Jack and Jill Built," the title of an illustrated story the first section of which appears in the August Delineator, will appeal to home lovers everywhere. Unlike the usual house plans and descriptions, the smallest details are here presented, from the first rock laid to the last decorative touch inside.

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His last years were passed abroad, mostly in Paris and London and his sudden death occurred near Aldershot, England, on May 6, 1902.

In short stories he was at his best, his longer ones lacking sustained interest. His merit was quickly discovered by Messrs Houghton, Mifflin & Co., who offered to publish anything he might write.

Much of sadness and cynicism pervade his work, but nearly all possess the "saving grace of humor."

Religion, Agnosticism and Education. By Bishop J. L. Spalding. 285 pages, 16 mo. Chicago: A. C. McClurg & Co. Price 80 cents.

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The value of education is referred to at length and its effect on religion discussed. "The Victory of Love" is the closing chapter of the book, which will be read with equal profit by priest or layman.

Rataplan, a Rogue Elephant. By Ellen Velvin, F. V. Z. 328 pages, 12 mo. Henry Altemus Company. Price $1.25.

This is a series of short stories of animal life, designed to give a more general acquaintance with wild animals. Additional to the title story are tales about "Osra, the Ostrich," "Keesa, the Adventurous Kangaroo" and "Gean, the Giraffe." The stories are clever and effective.

The volume is illustrated in color by Gustave Verbeek, whose admirable animal sketches need no description.

The Religious Life and Influence of Queen Victoria. By Walter Walsh. 264 pages, 8 vo. New York: E. P. Dutton & Co. Price $2.50.

Beginning with the youth of Princess Victoria and noting the significant events in her early life, as regards their effect upon her training and her religious life, the author passes in successive chapters to later periods of her life. The natural devoutness of her temperament and the effect her religious life had upon those with whom she was associated, are both emphasized by well chosen examples.

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Studies in United States History. By Sara M. Riggs. 173 pages, 16 mo. Boston: Ginn & Company. Price 65 cents.

A volume designed for the guidance and use of students of American history, primarily for high and normal schools and academy pupils.

The book will be of value to teachers who wish a thorough preparation in American history, or helpful suggestions as to methods of teaching the subject.

The Kindred of the Wild. By Charles G. D. Roberts. 374 pages, 12 mo. Boston: L. C. Page & Co. Price $2.

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Table Tennis and How to Play It. By M. J. G. Ritchie and Walter Harrison. 116 pages, 16 mo. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott Co.

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The Spenders. By Harry Leon Wilson. 512 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Lothrop Publishing Co. Price $1.50.

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Jezebel. By Lafayette McLaws. 490 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Lothrop Publishing Co. Price $1.50.

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This is the theme of the story, yet the love element is woven in with sympathetic skill and the author succeeds in bringing out the human qualities of the wonderful queen in a unique succession of dramatic events in which she has a leading part. The volume is well illustrated.

Those Black Diamond Men. By William F. Gibbons. 389 pages, 12 mo. New York: F. H. Revell Co. Price $1.50.

This book comes before the public at the critical moment wherein every-one is interested in the anthracite miner and his life, and portrays him naturally but with convincing force.

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"ECCE VENIT ARBITER!"

Martinique, 1902.

By Mabel Earle.

In yonder city by the southern sea,
The morn it fell before that blasting breath,
One groaned, betrayed of friends, "God pity me!"
Blind to the pity close at hand in death.
One said, "How shall I bear the days to be,
Battling with hell, beset in flesh and faith?"
To whom death's angel entering sudden trod,
And swept them home in fire and cloud to God.

O heart sore tried, athirst for even such swift
Sure answer to the ills that smote thee dumb,
Behold, this day has also brought its gift.
To thee as unto them thy Lord shall come,
Lifting and saving thee, not now in death
But life.
"*Lo, I make all things new*," he saith.

In that far city, ere the whirlwind broke,
One said to God, "To-morrow—not to-day.
To-morrow shall undo the curse I spoke;
To-morrow shall my lips forgive and pray.
For this day more my sin shall wear its cloak;
For this day more my pride shall yet hold sway."
To whom God answered in the fiery sea,
"*This day thy reckoning is required of thee.*"

O heart long idle! thou this day beware
Lest that his summons peal for thee too soon.
Rouse thee, make haste to soothe thy brother's care;
Rouse thee, make haste to grant thy debtor's boon.
One hour is left thee still, to rise and take
For pardon, pity, justice, love.
Awake!

—The Sunday School Times.

Y. M. C. A. WORK IN FOREIGN LANDS.

By William D. Murray.

It is impossible in a few words to tell the whole story of the foreign work of the Young Men's Christian Association. Only a few of the many interesting facts can be referred to. Briefly stated, twenty-four secretaries are maintained in eight mission lands at a total cost in 1901 of over $55,000. These secretaries are supervising from 250 to 300 self supporting associations in these different countries, with a total membership of about 15,000, of whom more than 3,600 are Christians.

While there is a certain air of romance about the work of foreign missions, which makes it attractive, there is at the same time, a blessed reality to it, and at times these two—romance and reality—are strangely mingled. For instance, one of our army secretaries in the Philippines was called upon to visit two soldiers under sentence of death for desertion. The secretary pointed them to the all-sufficient Saviour and they accepted him. When they were led out to be shot, as they stood waiting for the fatal bullets, they began to sing "Nearer, My God to Thee." The crowd of soldiers and others standing around took it up and the two soldiers, now soldiers of Jesus Christ, passed into eternity with this song on their lips.

Gratifying evidence of the approval of our work in mission lands is found in the way in which our representatives have induced the leading local Christians to take part in it. To mention a few among the many, in Tokyo, for instance, they have enlisted the Speaker of the House of Representatives; in Calcutta, Banurji; in Buenos Ayres, the English Consul; in Ceylon, the Hon. H. M. Wendt and Sir William Mitchell; in Madras, Satthianadhan and Arbuthnot; in Rio, Signor Braga, and everywhere the Christian missionaries.

I recently heard a well-known missionary delivering an address in a church, and in defending the educational work under the auspices of foreign mission boards, he said substantially: "I tell you that there is no other agency that will reach and move the people of India as this educational work does." Then he stopped and added: "Yes, there is one other—the Young Men's Christian Association."

The class of men who have responded to the call of the International Committee is responsible for this condition of affairs, and it is a guarantee that first things will be kept first. Without exception these men have been spiritual leaders in their colleges and universities at home; men who have actually led fellow-men to Christ, and who, above every other

qualification, have a consuming desire to see men brought to the Saviour. Their eagerness in their work is delightful. Gailey, who is a fair sample of all the foreign secretaries, writes, at the close of 1901: "I trust the first four have not been idly spent, and I hope the next thirty will be crowned with the blessing of the Highest for the salvation of young men and the good of China." These are noble words after four such years as China has had.

All foreign mission work is slow work, but our efforts are not without definite results. The readers of "Association Men" will recall the harvest reaped by Mr. Mott in his recent tour. It showed that our secretaries had sowed good seed. Mr. McConaughy tells of meetings conducted by him not long ago at Lucknow, where forty-six signed cards with this declaration: "Forsaking every known sin and making the word of God my guide, I take and will confess Jesus to be my Saviour and Lord the Holy Spirit to be my helper; and this I do deliberately, unreservedly and forever."

And during three days' meetings at Cawnpore no fewer than 125 covenanted to follow Christ, fifty-one signing the morning watch cards.

Our secretary Barber, at Calcutta, tells a pathetic story of a Tamil boy in Ceylon, which illustrates what is going on. This boy had learned of Jesus from a fellow student. When his parents discovered that he was getting this information, they sent him away north to Calcutta to finish his education, but he insisted on taking his books with him, among them a Bible. In Calcutta he came to the Association hostel and there he was taught more about Christ. Finally his family cut off his supply of money. In despair and unrest, he wandered about the city, bent on suicide. The old religion was cast out, but the new had not yet come in to take its place. Further study of the scriptures in the Association Bible class and with the secretary enabled him to confess Christ openly with great joy, and now he is to give his life to preaching the gospel.

From China come reports of strong men's meetings and numerous Bible classes. Shanghai alone has been holding ten regular weekly religious meetings and had 159 men enrolled in Bible classes; in 1900 Calcutta held 786 religious meetings, including Bible classes, with a total attendance of 32,617.

Many other things might be mentioned to show that in the foreign field the spiritual work of the Association is really given as prominent, if not a more prominent part in the Association economy than at home. This is not saying that the religious work is not considered the chief work of our home Associations, for I believe that it is; but here Christians have so many other things; out yonder it is different. One of the things that might be mentioned is the building of the Tokyo Student Association, with its little upper room, in which the Japanese students keep the morning watch. Remember, too, that 50 per cent of the Christian membership of the Association in mission lands under the care of the American Association, keep the morning watch, and that a very large proportion of their entire membership is enrolled in Bible classes. Gleason tells of one such class in Osaka: "All members are actually doing personal work. The young bank clerk who was baptized only yesterday morning, and who is the first in Japan, as far as I know, who was brought into the church through my direct effort, tries to get a friend to go to church with him every Sunday. Another one, a government employee, teaches a Sunday-school of children, and one night a week meets with two non-Christian young men to read the Bible with them. He has recently brought one or two into church. Two of the men are teachers in middle schools, one coming ten miles on the train every week for the Bible study; and both are trying to establish Associations in their schools."

The work is young and comparatively small. We have more secretaries in India than in any other one country, but we have only seven there, and there are 60,000,000 young men; in China the disproportion is still greater; Gleason has a parish of a million; Helm and Fisher, in Tokyo, are in a city with 50,000 students, and with a population nearly as large as New York; Shuman, in Buenos Ayres, is alone in a city of 800,000 people, and Clark, alone in Rio, is doing a wonderful work and setting a good example for the United States of Brazil. But from the beginning God has chosen to work through the things which seem small to men. 'It is not by an army, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts," and thus it will ever be.—Association Men.

REV. CHARLES WESLEY MC CORMICK, D.D., PH. D.

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Rev. Dr. McCormick, the new pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Hartford, was born at New Prospect, New Jersey, his father being Rev. Wm. H. McCormick of the Newark Conference of the M. E. Church.

He prepared for college at Wyoming Seminary, Kingston, Pa., and was graduated from Wesleyan University in 1881, entering the Methodist Episcopal Ministry, Newark Conference, the same year.

Before coming to Hartford he has

had pastorates at Mt. Hope, N. J., 1881-2; Stapleton, Staten Island, 1882-3; Ogdensburg, N. Y., 1883-6; Lowville, N. Y., 1886-8; State Street, Watertown N. Y., 1888-93; Boonton, N. J., 1893-5; Halsey Street, Newark, N. J., 1895-8; Hackettstown, N. J., 1898-1900.

In 1900 he served as teacher in Centenary Collegiate Institute, Hackettstown, N. J., becoming its President in 1901, and occupying that position until his call to his present pastorate. During his presidency, new college buildings were erected at a cost of $200,000, to replace the old buildings destroyed by fire in 1900.

Dr. McCormick received his honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity from Syracuse University, in 1897. He also received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from New York University, in 1898, presenting on that occasion a thesis on "The Ethics of Homer; or the Ethical Content of the Early Greek Mind as it is Displayed in the Iliad."

In 1881, Mr. McCormick was married to Miss Edith C. Mirteenes of Port Jervis, N. Y.

Dr. McCormick is a preacher of much ability and force. His church is in a prosperous condition and hopes for even greater prosperity and a wider influence and usefulness when a new edifice shall have been erected.

A building lot has already been secured at the corner of Farmington Avenue and Smith street, and as soon as the Asylum street property can be disposed of to adantage, work will begin on the new structure.

AT THE ENDS OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

By Robert E. Speer.

"It should not be forgotten," said the Times of India, "that the real frontier of the Indian Empire is not the scene of the recent conflicts with the Afridi and Waziri tribes, but that it stretches virtually from the mouth of the Shat-el-Arab, at the head the Persian Gulf, along the southern border of Afghanistan and Thibet to Burmah and Yunnan." Its outpost cities are not Bombay and Calcutta, but Bangkok and Bagdad. The traveler through Asiatic Turkey comes at once upon its agents and the flag of the Indian navy when he crosses the broad sun-baked plain about the city of the Caliphs. And in the Bagdad bazaars Indian rupees are almost as good as Turkish mejidies and English dress is too common to attract notice. Indeed, so far as real power is concerned, from Bagdad, down the Tigris and the Shat, to the borders of the Sultan's land, the Union Jack represents more than the Crescent. The Turk knows this and limits the number of river steamers which are allowed between Bagdad and Busra. Also he loathes the sight of a British gunboat on the ancient streams. A few gunboats of his own he has there, but they are not dangerous.

Bagdad is one of the last of the unspoiled great cities of the East. The Bazaar of Constantinople has been defiled by Western innovations, and European fashions are stealing into the shops of Tabriz. Bagdad in changing, too, but its colors and ways are rich still with suggestions of the days of the Caliphs and the luxurious era of Islam. The old part of the Customs House is the palace of the Caliphate, hoary with the marks of more than eight centuries, and mosque and minaret recall great names of great days which will never come again. In the palace court now are iron from Birmingham and cotton from Manchster, matches from Sweden and cheaper and more sulphurous ones from Japan, chinaware from China and Russia, spirits and sugar from Marseilles, with wheat for shipment to London and wool and hides for America. Where the Caliph's favorites once sold kingdoms, inspectors now take their petty bribes. It is a curious bedlam. Caravans come in from Persia, Arabia and Mesopotamia. The laden camels, horses and donkeys surge out east, north, west and south. A hamal, or porter, pushes by carrying on his back a three hundred and fifty pound bale of cotton. And the Bagdad natives are distinguishable from the rest by the Bagdad button, a scar about the size of a date, often on the end of the nose, always on the face. Jews, of whom there are forty thousad, one-third of the population of the city, Armenians, many of whose women have been married to Europeans, Arabs from the desert, Turks, soldiers and fat civilians, some dark, some blonde as the janizaries, chavadars with their caravans, Persian traders of all kinds, pass to and fro under the covered streets between the bazaar shops displaying all the produce of the East.

At Bagdad the weary traveler, worn by his slow and arduous horseback journey over mountain and plain, gets passage on one of the comfortable little river boats on the Tigris. It is a muddy, tortuous stream, so tortuous that the steamer must be slowly backed and twisted around many turns. One vicious bend the boatmen call the Devil's Elbow. The devout Moslems on board, who must face always toward Mecca when they pray, often begin piously, only to conclude with their faces toward the Persian hills, having meantime prayed toward the North Star and the Southern Cross. The great plains stretch to the west illimitably, and to the east far to the snow-topped mountains of Pushti Kuh. These plains were once the granary of the world. Now they are sere and bare, save for the Bedouin tribes which raise here and there a scanty crop and drive their flocks where they will. The Turk imposes his taxation like a madman. Prosperity is visited with ex-

SHOPS IN LAHORE.

HINDU VENDERS AT AGRA.

orbitant impost as judgment. Each water skin, each goat or bull, each fruit tree, each crop, is taxed. It is better for a man to cut down his fruit trees and reduce his crops to avoid the rapacity of the government loot. In consequence, the great. fertile plains, needing only water to make them rich as a garden, lie barren and untilled. Here and there along the Tigris bank stretches an Arab village, transient and frail, of reeds and skins, while the people raise a poor harvest by rude irrigation.

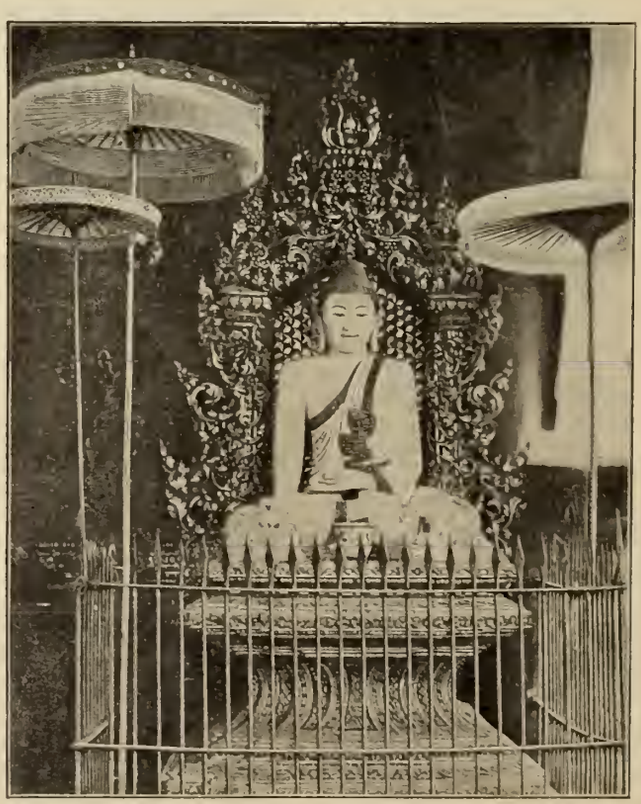
The Moslem is a great traveler, and the pilgrims to Kerbela, the great shrine of the Shiah sect, make their way thither by way of the Tigris from India and the ports of the Persian Gulf. Going down the river, our boat was freighted with the devout followers of the Prophet returning home as penniless as pious. The deck passage is all they can afford. At Bagdad they had laid in supplies and each party had pre-empted its own space. Chests and bundles were piled about Here and there a superb rug was laid down and constitnted its owner's homestead claim. Joints of meat were hung on the rail and chickens were carried alive in coops.

The sailors on the Tigris boats are mainly Chaldeans from Mosul, across the Tigris river from the site of ancient Nineveh. Great powerful fellows they are, with trousers like a brace of giant meal sacks, playfnl as children, bnt with the appetites of oxen They took big fish down into the boiler-room, and putting them on a shovel cooked them in the furnace and sat down to devour them all. The shallow Tigris is full of fish and the gulls follow the ship along the banks. The Turks on board devise some strange mixture of dress. The ticket collector wore a superb Arab headdress, but degraded it with an old frock coat and elastic topped shoes.

There was an age of glory on these brown river banks once. Yonder is the grave of Mohammed's camel driver, and there the tomb of his barber, to which the barbers of Bagdad make annual pilgrimage. Here is the blue-domed sepulchre of Ezra, as the Jews maintain, and from far and near to the tomb of the great scribe the scattered children of Israel come, to think of the days long ago when by the waters of Babylon they hung their harps on the willow and had no heart to sing the Lord's songs in a strange land. Daniel's tomb is at Susa, and Ezekiel rests to the west at Nejef. Complete still after all its centuries, though built without a keystone, there on the east is the arch of Ctesiphon, and to the west stretch the mounds of Seleucia—the twin cities which were Median in the days when Khaled's armies marched out of Arabia and looked in savage amazement on the walls and the jeweled tapestries of the Persian court of Yezdegerd. And here flowing down from the far northwest past Ur of the Chaldees, where Abraham fed his flocks, come the blue waters of the Euphrates to join the tawny Tigris. Among the graceful palm trees lies the village of Gurnah. This was Eden, the Arabs say, which

"stretched her line
From Arnon eastward to the royal towers
Of great Seleucia built by Grecian kings."

But what does all this mean to the loud-voiced, brown-faced Arabs? They are only waiting for the sunset hour to break the feast of these days of Ramazan. Here at Amarah one may see



THE WHITE BUDDHA.

them waiting. Hnndreds of them have come down to look at the boat and wander over it, in theory to visit "a friend," to steal what they can in fact. But as the sunset gun sounds, the throng melts away; the fasting soldiers hurry from the nearby barracks to the kitchen each with his tin pan for his mess, and the whole population of Amarah, yes, of the Moslem world, begins a night of gluttony and carousal. The month of Ramazan is a great institntion. No food and as much indolence and assiduous reading of the Koran as possible during the day, and gorging and gluttony during the night. It is the month of fast and piety.

The broad stream formed by the junction of the Tigris and the Euphrates is called the Shat-el-Arab. Well down towards its mouth is the old city of Busra built by the Caliph Omar in the early days of Mohammedanism. It lies along a little creek emptying into the Shat and guarded at its mouth by the insatiate Customs House. The boats of the British India Steamship Company, which has one of the largest fleets in the world, come np to Busra from Bombay, and in a long bellem, as the native boats are called, the traveler eludes the customs brigand who has boarded the Tigris boat, and is moved to a comfortable ocean-going steamer, on which he is likely to be the only European passenger.

From Busra to India the boats touch at ports on both sides of the Persian Gnlf — Bohammerah, Bohrein—where the pearl fisheries are, Bushire, Bunder Abbas, Linga, Jask—where the British India telegraph line leaves Persia after its long overland journey from Tabriz and the Caucasus, and goes under sea to India; and Mnscat and, perhaps Gwadar, in Afghanistan.

The Persian navy, what there is of it, lies at Bushire. The Arab and Persian boats in the ports are as manifold as the colors of the boatmen's dress. At Jask the boats are simply green withes wattled together. The water flows in and out at will, and the naked boatman sits on a box in the middle of his boat rowing with oars made of pieces of board tied on the ends of two poles.

The sailors on the Gnlf ships wear silver chains on their arms. The Hindu sailor likes the sense of security he gains from the knowledge that he has with him always in his silver chain, whatever may befall him, wealth enough to carry him to his own land.

In the evening the sun goes down behind the Arabian desert and its light falls soft across the sea. To the north are the rocks of Ormuzd, whose name stands synonymous for fabled wealth. An old Portugnese fort has crumbled to ruin at one end, and at the other, desolate and bleak, an ancient lighthonse stands. As the sun sinks, the phosphoresence glows green upon the sea. From the bow of the boat it rnns off in billows of liquid emerald. The revolutions of the screw stand out like the coils of a sea-serpent, and the log line leaves behind a track like a strand of pearls. Jelly fish and strange currents make lanes and meadows of weird light, and the flying fish shoot off like schools of rockets over the still waters. A wondrous water is the whispering Persian sea between Iran and Araby.

Quainter and more weird than any of these Gulf cities, however, is Muscat, on the edge of the Arabian sea. The brown, treeless mountain wall rises behind and on either side stands a rocky hill crowned by a fort. The queer old city lies between. It is more than two hundred and fifty years since the Arabs sent their armies into the city packed in dates one Sunday while the Portuguese were at church and made themselves masters. It has been an Arab city ever since, and was a little Arab Empire, though now England has eased the Sultan of his possession in Zanzibar, and with France exercises a constraining influence which the Sultan grins and bears in his little dominion of Oman. The western fort was built by the Portugnese in 1588. On the top of the high structure, built tier on tier on the hill, is an old Catholic chapel, with a well just before it which held water for the garrison for three years. The guns are ancient and innocent, and stone cannon balls lie around. The present garrison is a small crowd of gaily armed gentlemen, with sufficient swarthy villany on their faces, but of dubious military efficiency. Occasionally the two forts fall into the hands of rival factions and shoot stone balls at one another across the town. The standard coin of Muscat is the Maria Theresa silver dollar. The present Sultan is a young man who fights with his half-brothers in the interior. They are full Arabs, while he is the son of the late Snltan and a negro woman. He conducts himself as a good young man while the Consuls are observing, and when they doze he is believed to twirl his thumbs and watch the slaves come np from Africa for sale on the date plantations along the coast valleys. I saw in Mnscat, in the care of the Mission of the Dutch Reformed Church, eighteen little children whom the British consul had captured and freed, who had been stolen from the fonr quarters of Africa and who bore on their childish cheeks the branded scar of the slaver's iron.

(concInded in October number.)

FIRST BAPTIST.

The meeting of the Hartford Baptist Association was held at Bristol, September 16 and 17, and there was an excellent attendance and a program of unusual interest.

The leaders in onr special work for men have of late been conducting services at Riverside Park. Much credit is due our Mr. T. H. Day for his efforts in this profitable and much-needed work.

During the summer our Sunday-school has been especially favored by addresses from the varions clergymen who have filled our pulpit in the pastor's absence.

Rev. R. Maplesden, who is an old and familiar friend to our congregation, as well as to many other residents of Hartford, preached for us Snnday, September 7th.

The Rev. H. M. Gallaher of Essex, preached for us Sunday, Sep. 14th.

WINDSOR AVE. CONGREGATIONAL.

There was a large attendance at church and Sunday-school last Sunday.

Preparations are being made for Rally Day in the Sunday-school, which is to be the last Sunday in September.

The teachers' teas will be resumed this week.

The vesper services, held Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock, will be resumed next Sunday.

Plans arc being made for some special religious meetings, to be held by the church the latter part of October or the first of November.

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH.

Services were resumed Sunday, Sept. 14, the church having been closed five weeks for repairs and a thorough cleaning, which necessitated removing all the seats. The carpets were taken up, repaired and relaid, some of the frescoing done over and work done on the roof. The new organ is expected to be in place Nov. 1.

Death has again invaded the ranks of our vestry. Mr. Clarence B. Sherwood, who had been a member of the vestry for the past two years, died Aug. 31, the result of an accident while overseeing a gang of workmen

in his position of section foreman for the Consolidated Road. Mr. Sherwood was a man of sterling character and his death, following so closely that of Mr. E. H. Judd, a member of the vestry for more than twenty-five years, is a serious loss to the parish. Much sympathy was expressed to his family by a large circle of friends.

UNITY CHURCH.

Services at our church were resumed on Sept. 14. The pastor, Rev. Mr. Waite, preached an interesting sermon on "Personal Identity," which was largely an exposition of heredity.

The Sunday-school resumed work on the same date. In the absence of the superintendent, Mr. Waite conducted the services and gave notice that in Mrs. Baker's absence, Mr. Ira Mather had kindly consented to take charge.

The sewing circle meets on Sept. 18. It is proposed to send clothing and money to the colored school at Talledega, Alabama.

SOUTH PARK METHODIST.

Our pastor, Rev. J. A. Macmillan, and wife, have returned from Hague-on-Lake George, after a delightful vacation.

All the regular services have been resumed and are well attended. On Sunday morning, September 14, the topic of the sermon was, "The Memory of the Just," in recognition of the first anniversary of the death of President McKinley.

At the annual meeting of the church Richard R. Latimer, Louis E. Parkhurst and Isaac Cross, Jr., were reelected trustees for the term of three years.

Since June six persons have been received into membership by certificate and four from probation.

Sanford A. Gabrielle, one of the probationers of the church, passed away August 15. His family have the deep sympathy of the whole church.

The church garden at the rear of the chapel has flourished during the summer, furnishing beautiful flowers for the decoration of the church and many bouquets which have been sent to the sick and aged. The garden reflects great credit upon Mr. H. D. Hemenway, the superintendent of the School of Horticulture.

On Wednesday evening, September 17, under the auspices of the Epworth League, there will be a "College Night" meeting, with addresses by representatives from different colleges. There will also be college songs.

The meetings of the Junior Epworth League have been resumed under the direction of Mr. Edward P. Frink.

NEW BRITAIN AVE. MISSION.

September 7, evening meetings commenced, with Rev. R. L. Redfield of Brooklyn, N. Y., as the speaker. Sept. 14, Rev. Rockwell Harmon Potter preached and September 21, S. W. Raymond, state evangelist, will speak to us.

Most of those who have been away on a vacation have returned to their places in Sunday-school, which made our number 129 last Sunday.

The annual election of officers of the Ladies' Aid Society will be held on Friday afternoon, Sept. 26, at 3 o'clock.

MEMORIAL BAPTIST.

Our pastor and his family have returned from Vermont, and many others are at home again after the summer vacation.

The loss to our church in the death of Mrs. C. R. Baldwin is keenly felt by all. Mrs. Baldwin has been our organist for the past three years and many who did not know her personally have felt the sweetness of her character through the music so beautifully rendered by her. This musical talent was still more beautiful, in that it was so truly consecrated to the Master's service. Always cheerful and willing to serve, and ever thoughtful of others, she is held in loving memory by all who knew her.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

The rector, Rev. Geo. T. Linsley, conducted service for the first time since his vacation on Sunday morning, Sept. 7. In his sermon he spoke of the four means of grace, outlining and explaining the same. Holy Communion was celebrated after morning prayer.

Sunday, Sept. 14, at the morning service, the attendance was unusually good. The fair weather and the fact that the vacation season is about over, helped greatly to fill the church. The rector preached a strong sermon on the danger of accepting the teachings of false prophets.

The Sunday-school resumed its sessions Sunday morning, Sept. 1. New scholars were added to the school. There is need of two teachers, one having removed from the city and another being obliged to give up her class.

A new set of green hangings for the chancel and pulpit were used for the first time Sunday, Sept. 7. These beautiful green hangings are for the Trinity season and are the gift of a member of the church.

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew of the Good Shepherd Church, meets for the first time since vacation, on Friday, Sept. 19.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

The absentees are gradually returning from vacations and camp-meetings, and we hope to see an increased attendance. We certainly have noticed an increase of interest.

The local branch of the Christian Burden Bearers met for the annual election of officers, Aug. 4, and again Sept. 8, to listen to the report of its delegate (our pastor) to the annual meeting of the association at Alton Bay, N. H.

It was a report full of interest, showing the growth and prosperity of the association and tended to increase our interest as a branch. The immediate future holds simply our general church work on all lines.

FIRST METHODIST.

Most of the members of the church are now at home from their vacations and all report a pleasant time.

Dr. McCormick is giving us good stirring preaching. "Good things spoken from the pulpit, to be remembered, and not forgotten."

The church is increasing in spiritual thought and feeling, also in numbers.

An aged member of our church, Mr. A. Daniels, died suddenly Aug. 2. Our old members pass away and although they had not been as active in the church recently, as in their younger days, they are greatly missed.

Through July and August the Epworth League had the entire charge of the evening service. September 14, the preaching service was held as usual at 7:30 p. m.

NEWINGTON CONGREGATIONAL.

Our pastor, Rev. Herbert Macy, and family, have returned from their vacation. He preached a very impressive sermon on Sunday, Sept. 14, upon "Our Duties as Stewards of Christ." We hope to take up our church duties with renewed vigor.

The Church Aid will give a ten cent supper in the chapel on Friday evening, Sept. 19. Supper from 6 until 8. Social hour and entertainment following, to which all are invited.

The W. C. T. U. held a meeting with Miss Elizabeth Weir this month. A very pleasant feature was a basket lunch served after the regular meeting.

Mrs. Wm. Seymour and family are visiting with the family of Mr. Lemuel Camp.

Samuel Camp has returned to Mt. Hermon.

Rev. and Mrs. Daniel Clark, of East Haven, spent the week in town with Mrs. Clark's sister, Mrs. Ellen A. Deming.

BLOOMFIELD CONGREGATIONAL

The mid-week meetings for the last month have been held at the parsonage.

For the benefit of those who do not care to attend the Endeavor meeting, but who do want to go to some service Sunday evenings, a second meeting has been inaugurated that it is hoped will be attractive to many. The intention is to make these somewhat varied in character, with a good deal of music, addresses, Bible readings and evangelistic talks.

The Sunday-school is making a most excellent record for attendance. It is larger than for some time past and some of the classes have perfect records for a number of consecutive Sabbaths at a time.

Superintendent Miller is very busy in preparing for Rally Day, which will be observed the first Sunday in October.

The fair to be held under the direction of the Ladies' Benevolent Society will take place Oct. 9 and 10. Much effort is being put into this and it is hoped that it will be a success with pleasant weather and large attendance.

Mrs. N. F. Miller is visiting her brother, Arthur Stoddard in Lewistown, Mont. She expects to be away until the latter part of next month. Mrs. W. C. Dean takes her class in the Sunday-school.

The Young Ladies' Society has been giving its attention to basketry of late and will have a good collection of very pretty, useful and fancy baskets for the fair.

SUFFIELD STREET BAPTIST.

We were glad to have with us at a recent Sunday evening service Mrs. Wyman, the mother of our former pastor, Mr. A. L. Wyman.

A number of our young people gathered at the chapel Labor Day and under the auspices of the C. E. took a trip to Rainbow Park, where a basket picnic was held.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Wiley entertained a number of friends the evening of September 4, at their home on Elmer street, the occasion being their thirtieth wedding anniversary.

The chapel young people were recently entertained by Miss Edena Marsh at her home on Clark street. Ping pong and other games were the order of the evening. All report a very pleasant evening.

Our young people's meetings have been largely attended the past month. On several Friday evenings recently it has been necessary to bring chairs into the room. We trust that before long it will be necessary to hold our meetings in the main room.

ST. PAUL'S METHODIST.

The pastor, Rev. Burdette B. Brown returns refreshed from a vacation trip to the mountains and sea shore. A large number of our people spent some part of August at the sea shore.

The Epworth League has resumed its meetings at the regular Sunday hour of 6:15 p. m., and a preaching service is held at 7:30 p .m.

The Presiding Elder holds the second and third quarterly conferences on Monday evening, Sept. 15.

On Thursday evening, Sept. 25, a union prayer meeting is to be held with the South Park Methodist church.

WINDSOR METHODIST.

Our pastor has returned from his two weeks vacation and conducted the services Sunday, Sept. 14. In his absence, Rev. Wm. R. Roberts preached Aug. 31 and Sept. 7.

The Ladies' Aid Society will hold a Peach Festival, Oct. 1.

Our Epworth League will entertain the "Father Howsen Young People's Union" on Friday afternoon and evening, Sept. 19. Rev. W. J. Yates, of Hazardville, will deliver the address in the afternoon at 5:30 o'clock; and the Rev. B. B. Brown, of St. Paul's M. E. church, Hartford, at 7:30 o'clock.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER.

Services were resumed Sunday, Sept. 7, in the church, the Sunday-school and Young People's Guild with remarkably good attendance.

All of the families have not yet returned from vacations so that it will be two or three weeks before things become settled thoroughly.

All departments of the church are busy making plans for the coming winter, to further the work of the church.

The service of the Young People's Guild, held Sunday evening, Sept. 14, was devoted to speakers who attended the national convention of the Y. P. C. U., at Portland, Me., in July.

The reports of the convention were very favorable and showed that the youg people are doing a great deal of good work throughout this country, besides missions abroad.

The next annual convention will be held in Akron, Ohio, 1903.

PRINCIPAL E. H. MORSE.

LARGEST ENROLMENT.

THE MORSE BUSINESS COLLEGE STUDENTS FAR OUTNUMBER ALL PREVIOUS RECORDS.

The opening attendance at the Morse Business College in Hartford not only exceeded that of any previous year, since it was founded as a Bryant & Stratton college in 1860, but a comparison of years shows that this term's opening attendance is twice as large as that of two years ago. Careful, persistent, painstaking effort to give the pupils the very best possible business training, coupled with straightforward dealings with its patrons, has won for the Morse College the sterling reputation of being a most reliable and thorough commercial school, up-to-date in every particular.

Every day throughout the month of August parents and prospective pupils called at the principal's office and when the college opened on Monday, Sept. 1st, an exceedingly large number of students presented themselves for enrolment. A fact also worth more than passing notice is that among the number at the Morse Business College this year are many of the sons and daughters of the first families of Hartford. Certainly the better class of people attend this institution.

Each year's graduating class is abundant proof of the thoroughness of the courses of study and practice, as well as of the skill of experienced men instructors employed at this admirable institution. Parents and prospective pupils consult their own interests by inspecting the courses and facilities of the Morse Business College, before deciding upon the plan of education for this fall and winter. New students may enter at any time and pursue their courses with equal advantage.

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❋ Editorial. ❋

A FEW OF HARTFORD'S NEEDS.

1st. A sufficient quantity of gas to burn and, if possible, of a quality which furnishes sufficient illumination to read by. The present quality, what there is of it, seems to be a judicious mixture of about one part of good illuminating gas to three parts of Dutch Point atmosphere. If the corporation at present controlling this precious fluid can't improve on its quantity and quality, it's time the town itself took hold of the business. There ought to be some little money in it for Hartford at one dollar per thousand cubic feet, in view of the fact that the city of Glasgow supplies fuel gas at the rate of less than fifty cents a thousand. Municipal ownership of our water works results in good water and plenty of it, at a reasonable price.

2nd. A better system for collecting garbage. For one day and two evenings of a week every street in town presents the appearance of the back alley of a slum tenement house block. The walks lined with garbage barrels and the streets more or less littered with papers and overturned barrels. Our most attractive streets are thus disfigured each week and present a vista which is an offense to the eyesight. Now up in Springfield, for instance, they don't put up with that sort of thing. A little card hung out signifies to the garbage collectors that there are barrels in the cellar or back yard to be emptied, and it is part of their work to roll the barrels out from the yards and return them where they belong, as soon as emptied. It costs a little more, but it's well worth it to every householder, as well as the public.

3rd. Names of some significance for our public schools. This suggestion has been made before in these columns, but it will stand repeating. The graduates of our schools might well be fitted to enter a nautical career or take up surveying, as they should be well versed in the points of the compass with our North, South, East and West schools, the intermediate points of the compass also being well represented. Such a poverty of names! As though our history afforded the names of no men or women sufficiently distinguished to be bestowed on our institutions of learning.

4th. A uniform school tax, if not a consolidated school system. Whatever reasonable objections may be offered against changing the district school system, it is surely unreasonable to maintain the prevailing gross inequalities of taxation for their maintenance.

5th. The abolishment of political "soft snaps." Where an office holder is now receiving his compensation by fees, large and small, a reasonable salary should be substituted, and such fees as are necessary or advisable, should be placed to the credit of the community. Public office should not prove a private sinecure.

6th. The maintenance of a better standard for our streets. Good streets everywhere, all the time, is the ideal, and woefully distant we are from it. Take Pearl street for an instance. If you are a bicyclist, take a ride down the street from Main to Ford. Then take a ride down some flight of stairs and see if you can tell the difference.

7th. An ordinance to be speedily enacted which for all time will abolish the time-dis-honored express stand nuisance at the south side of City Hall square. Foul smells are always in order there; foul language often is heard and by-passers are often jostled by the expressmen. The stand is by no means a public necessity and business of any other kind should in fairness have as much right to be carried on there as the express business. Our streets are for the *use* of the public, not for the *abuse* of one class of people.

There are plenty of other improvements which might be suggested for Hartford, but the foregoing are enough to offer at one time. When these have all been made, Hartford will be a much larger city than it is now, so many more people will want to live here.

RALLY DAY.

As the vacation period means a general disorganization of our Sunday-schools, and as not a few of them find it advisable to close altogether for a season, it has become almost a necessity, if these schools are to maintain and strengthen their work through the nine active months of the year, to make a supreme effort on Rally Day.

Perhaps there should be no necessity for such a special day. Individual work by teachers and officers is argued by some to be a more creditable and dignified way, but the results seem to be greatly in favor of a set day for a general rally of officers, scholars and teachers.

So it is hoped that our Rally Days, soon coming, may be successful in every respect, and that each and every one interested in Sunday-school work will do their own level best, and lend stimulus to others, to make the occasion one of the marked events of the church year. A good start is desirable in any enterprise.

THE BEEF TRUST.

When prices of beef were soaring skyward a few months ago and a general outcry was heard against the Beef Trust, the public was assured that there was no such trust and that the higher prices were caused by a short supply of cattle.

Now, however, there are some definite evidences of a beef "combine." Armour has bought the Hammond and Omaha interests, and Swift controls the Anglo-American and Fowler concerns. A packers' combination to be capitalized at $150,000,000 is to take over the stocks of the Armour, Swift, and Morris companies.

This looks decidedly like a Beef Trust, and that something besides the laws of supply and demand will regulate the prices of beef in the future.

Senator Hanna's ambition is to bring about a thorough and permanent understanding between capital and labor, but he complains that he is hampered in this work by the frequent talk of his being a candidate for the presidency. He asserts that he is not a candidate and does not expect to be, and he wants everyone to understand it so that he can go on with his chosen task without having his motives viewed with suspicion. He asserts that he had rather be instrumental in bringing the employing classes and the

working classes together, so that strikes and other industrial disturbances would be minimized. if not wholly abolished, and have credit for that achievement placed on his tombstone, than to be President of the United States.

Well, it is a vast subject. And if Mr. Hanna is in any material degree successful in his object, he will probably have achieved a greater task than any the presidency offers.

Hartford loses one of its most able and earnest preachers and workers in the departure of Rev. Frank Dixon of the South Baptist Church. The Church Review wishes God-speed to Mr. Dixon, and his family.

Our article entitled "Y. M. C. A. Work in Foreign Lands" incidentally mentions the shooting of some of our deserting soldiers in the Philippines. Well, discipline must be maintained, probably, but from another standpoint it seems a pity, that when a man gets tired of the killing business, he can't quit it without quitting all things temporal.

SHELTER FOR WOMEN.

Our home has been greatly improved through the kindness of one of the members of our committee. Our parlor and other rooms have been papered and painted, making them look very bright and attractive. We have had large donations to our "Clothing Bureau," the sales also have been good, many people coming to us now for clothing for fall and winter wear. The Flower Mission of Wethersfield has supplied us with an abundance of beautiful flowers; we have used some to beautify our home and have distributed hundreds of bouquets in the neighborhood; sick people have been remembered, also the women in the jail.

Our family has been large and the Lord is giving tokens of His presence with us, many dear ones having been brought to know Him.

Our religious services are times of blessing. Mr. J. E. Morrell has had charge of the Sabbath afternoon ser vices through the summer months.

We have had a number of Christian workers spend some little time in the Home. Mrs. E. M. Whittemore, of New York, was with us over Sunday recently.

We have had a number of enjoyable outings through the summer and have also been able to help a number of families and sick people to trolley rides. We spent a very pleasant afternoon with Mrs. J. J. Goodwin on Woodland street and enjoyed the beautiful grounds. Our own garden has been very attractive this summer and much pleasure has been derived in caring for it.

We are looking forward to our annual meeting and reception to be held this fall.

WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

The beginning of this month noted a change of secretary. Miss Helen B. Calder, who has so ably filled the position, goes to Mt. Holyoke College as secretary of the Y. W. C. A. in that college. Miss Julia M. Robinson succeeds Miss Calder here.

During the last two of the summer months the Junior work was confined to picnics to one of the suburban parks.

The work of the Young Women's Branch has been confined to the "noon rest and lunch." Considering the many vacation absences, we feel that the number of those availing themselves of this opportunity is steadily increasing.

We hope very early in October to organize classes in various educational branches and invite all young women interested in such classes to call and arrange for them at an early date.

WARBURTON CHAPEL.

The kindergarten opened for the fall term on Tuesday, September 2, with the usual number of little folks from the neighborhood.

Our aim is to take those too young to attend the public school and relieve the mothers of the care of the children during the forenoon, keeping the children from playing on the streets, giving them at the same time the advantages of a regular kindergarten and securing new scholars for our Sunday-school from those who have no regular church home. Miss Myrtie C. Calhoun has been the teacher since the kindergarten was first opened in connection with the chapel work, five years ago.

The sewing school opens this week and Miss Lizzie J. Holcomb will continue as instructor.

An offer of $1000 has been made to complete the sum needed tobuild a gymnasium. Plans have been made and it is hoped that the work may be done at once, so that we may have the gym nasium to use during the coming season.

We also plan to have classes in basket work, cooking, dressmaking, etc., besides the regular clubs for boys, girls, young men and the young women.

Mr. Frank M. Johnson and Miss Mabel Pitkin were married in the So. Windsor Congregational church, Friday evening, Aug. 29.

Mr. Johnson has been a faithful teacher at Warburton for several years and we are now glad to welcome Mrs. Johnson to our teaching force.

The attendance and offering in the Sunday-school during July and August were much larger than last year.

SURPASSES ALL RECORDS.

The Huntsinger School opened September 1st, and the enrollment is much ahead of last year. This result was assured ten days ago by the unusual enrollment. The public has absolute confidence in the truthfulness of all claims made in behalf of this sterling school. For fourteen years the reputation and character of Huntsinger's have been upbuilding without a weak stone in its foundation. The people know this, and know also that the school stands in a class by itself.

PROFRSSOR E. M. HUNTSINGER.

Large as it is at present, new pupils will enter every week for months to come. Whenever they begin, they have the same work to do and the best individual instruction is given to each.

All worthy pupils receive Mr. Huntsinger's assistance in securing situations, and business men eagerly seek the services of his graduates. The record of 1038 graduates placed in business positions in the seventy months ending last Wednesday speaks volumes for the school. The fact that Mr. Huntsinger has educated over 6000 people in Hartford alone in fourteen years is the strongest evidence of public confidence in his school—a fact that can't be argued away. The published list of 375 Hartford business houses employing the thousand and more graduates placed in positions by Mr. Huntsinger in the seventy months holds out a flattering prospect to ambitious young men and women.

It is a fact that at the Huntsinger School last year the cost of stationery and all supplies outside of tuition, was only ninety and one-half cents per month per pupil.

There are no uncertainties about Huntsinger s.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

HARTFORD UNION NOTES.

Though quiet, we are still in the flesh and will be soon planning for our annual meeting.

Boston has attractions a little earlier, but we hope to return so enthusiastic that we shall be anxious to take up any work for the Master.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

Next month we are to have a convention in Boston of great importance, and great interest to every Endeavorer who can possibly go. The New England C. E. Convention meets October 14-15-16. The officers of the United Society will take part. Dr. Clark, Secretary Baer, Prof. Wells and Field Secretary Eberman will address the convention and Mr. Shaw will conduct a "Round Table." Among the other speakers will be Rev. A. C. Dixon, D. D., Rev. Russell T. Hall, D. D., Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman, D. D., Rev. P. S. Henson, D. D., Rev. Russell H. C. Conwell, D. D., Rev. S. Parkes Cadman, D. D., Rev. J. Balcom Shaw, D. D., John R. Mott and Robert E. Speer. Wednesday, Oct. 15, is "State Day," and Connecticut's headquarters will be at the First Presbyterian church. Our program has been complimented by leading workers. The morning session will be devoted to business and the telling of what the Connecticut C. E. Union has done the past year and an "open parliament" upon plans for the coming year. Committee conferences and the "summing up" of the same, will take the time of the afternoon session. Mrs. Moulton, our State Missionary Sup't, writes that she is to have the best speakers of the whole convention at her conference.

EDWIN H. MUNGER, Pres.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS.

(From the Presbyterian C. E. Manual)

Sun., Sept. 14. Topic—Delight in God's House. Ps. 84: 1-4; Ps. 100: 1-5.

The place where we meet God ought to be a very precious place to us.

The devout heart delights in nothing so much as the enjoyment of the friendship and companionship of God.

Those who live with God are blessed, receiving strength and grace from him.

Where did the Church of God begin? The altars of Abel and Abraham were part of its beginning, and the tabernacle in the wilderness. To the Jews it centered in the temple, with its types and sacrifices. It has been hidden in the catacombs, and afterwards exalted on the imperial throne of Rome.

Without the Church, where would European and American history be? The thing that makes Europe and America distinct from other countries, and immeasurably in advance of them is the life of the Christian Church in both.

Sun., Sept. 21. Topic—The Fullness of God; How Secured. Eph. 3: 14-21.

Christ would live in the heart of every Christian; he stands at the door and knocks for admittance. We can let him in or keep him out, as we will.

Faith is the hand that opens the door to the divine indwelling. Much faith brings full blessing.

Knowing the love of Christ prepares us for receiving more of the love of God into our life.

We should seek most earnestly to be filled unto all the fullness of God.

God will do better things for us than we can ever think to ask him or even wish.

Sun., Sept. 28. Topic—Missions: Missionary Heroes. Cheerful Amid Adversity. Acts 27: 22-36.

The missionary hero meets danger calmly and quietly. He endures as seeing Him who is invisible.

The missionary hero belongs to God—the world has no claim on him; he serves only the one Master and thinks of listening to no other.

The missionary hero trusts his life in God's hands, knowing that if there be work for him to do to-morrow he cannot perish to-day.

The missionary hero believes God and doubts no word or promise of his; so he is always of good cheer and makes others braver and stronger by his cheer.

No grander epic was ever written than the story of missions. The heroes of the Iliad and Odyssey are outshone by the deeds of missionary martyrs and explorers. No work of romance can compare with the stories of Paul, Livingstone, Paton, Hannington, and the rest. No "forlorn hope" ever was so daring as some missionary achievements.

Sun., Oct. 5. Topic—A Searching Question. John 21: 15-25.

The test of discipleship is not orthodoxy, or love for Christian work, or for people, but love for Christ.

One is not ready to care for other souls, to feed Christ's lambs or tend his sheep, unless he loves Christ.

We can do no better thing at a consecration service than to let our Master look into our face with his searching eyes, and ask us, "Lovest thou me?" compelling ourselves to answer the question.

Sun., Oct. 12. Topic—Fruitful or Fruitless. John 15: 1-8, 16; Mark 11: 12-14.

Our Father is the caretaker of our lives. If there is pruning to be done, it is his hand that holds the knife.

It is the fruitful branch that the Father prunes; the fruitless is cut off and cast away.

The object of all culture is fruitfulness. God wants us to bear much fruit.

The secret of fruitfulness is abiding in Christ, that is, trusting him all the time and living close to him.

Christ is greatly disappointed when instead of fruit our lives have only leaves—professions and promises, but nothing else.

PARK CONGREGATIONAL.

On September 7, the services in the church were resumed, after a month of vacation. On September 1, the attendance at Sunday-school was 86. Our late President William McKinley, was remembered and cited in the pastor's sermon as a type of the noble and grand possibilities in the manhood of God's latest and greatest creation—man.

The Christian Endeavor meeting was well attended and interestingly led by Miss Marion H. Jones and Miss A. Louise Brainard.

On Thursday evening, Sept. 18, Mr. Ranney will resume his course on the "Great Truths of Religion" and will consider this week the "Old Testament Apochrypha."

The officers of the C. E. Society for the new term are: Pres., Geo. E. Avery; vice-pres., Miss Lucy O. Hunt; rec. secy., Miss A. Louise Brainard; cor. secy., Miss Florence R. Robertson; treas., Luther Trieschmann.

Have your decorating done by "McClunie, the Decorator." No. 177 Asylum street. Mr. McClunie makes this his exclusive business and has a large stock of material, so that he can fill the largest contracts.

ADDITIONAL CHURCHES.

WETHERSFIELD BAPTIST.

We are now without a leader. Our pastor, Mr. Elsden, has resigned from the work of the church as pastor, but has so far recovered from his long illness that he hopes to preach occasionally for us. Rev. Mr. Connell has supplied some and led the Thursday evening prayer meeting this week. The church is to have some repairs soon which will be of great benefit.

SOUTH BAPTIST.

It is with regret that we send, in this month's items, what is doubtless known to most of the readers of the Church Review, the notice of our pastor, Rev. Frank Dixon's resignation. We feel it is a great loss to us as a church, as well as individuals, and one that cannot be speedily filled. Also in losing Mrs. Dixon, we have cause for regret and her going will leave a vacancy hard to fill. As leader of the "Whatsoever Circle of King's Daughters," and along other lines of church work, she will be greatly missed. Still we wish them both God-speed and feel that wherever they may go they will find work to do for the Master. May God bless and prosper them both.

The Womans' Home and Foreign Missionary Society held its first fall meeting on Friday, Sept. 12. Topic, "Mexico and New Mexico." Leader, Mrs. W. C. Augur, president.

A trolley ride to Farmington was given by the C. E. Society as a social, on Wednesday evening, Sept. 3. About thirty-five, both members and their friends, left City Hall on a special car. Cream was procured at "Crandall's," after which, a pleasant half hour or so was enjoyed in the parlor of the "Inn." Mr. E. H. Scott, formerly of Melrose, Mass., entertained the company by reciting one of Eugene Field's productions and other selections. The return was made about 10:30, every one being in good spirits and all enjoyed a pleasant evening

There will be no further Sunday evening services in the church until notice is given of same.

The reception tendered Mr. and Mrs. Dixon, Thursday evening, after the prayer meeting, was well attended both by members of the church and friends. The "Whatsoever Circle of King's Daughters" gave them a set of silver oyster forks, a set of silver individual butter knives and a set of silver teaspoons, all engraved with their initial letter. The Junior K. D's gave Mrs. Dixon a handsome gold brooch, in the shape of a crescent, with a pearl setting. Light refreshments were served, the parlors being prettily decorated for the occasion.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

Our program for the future months is as follows: Sundays: Morning Service, 10:45; Evening Service, 7:30; Sunday-school, 12:15. Mondays (1st and 3rd): Brotherhood of St. Andrew, 8 p. m. Tuesdays: The Girls' Friendly Society, 7 p. m. Wednesdays: St. James' Guild for Boys, 4 p. m. Thursdays: The Womens' Missionary Society, 2:30 p. m. Fridays: Girls' Embroidery Class, 7:30 p. m., Rector's Aid Society, first Friday in each month. Saturdays, Gymnasium for boys, 7:30 p. m., St. Mary's Guild, Choir practice in the upper hall.

WETHERSFIELD AVE. CONGREGATIONAL.

The Sunday-school, through the month of August, has been taking up the lesson through the leadership of some one person and class work was entirely dispensed with, as many were away on their vacations.

With the beginning of the present month our attendance has increased to its usual good average and most of our members are now in their places ready for work

The C. E. Society has just held its semi-annual election of officers. We have an unusually good set of officers for the coming six months and we shall expect to have them well supported and interest shown that will forward their endeavors.

The church has resumed its services after the usual summer vacation and is in excellent condtiion.

The Y. M. Club is to paint the church in the near future; a work that is badly needed.

CHRIST CHURCH.

Our Sunday-school opened Sunday, Sept. 14, after a vacation, which, according to our custom corresponded with the regular public school annual holiday.

Rev. Mr. Goodwin, our rector, returned September 6, from Castine, Maine, where he passed a month's vacation. While away he officiated once at the Christ Church of Isleboro, Maine.

Mr. George Hoadley has donated a fine memorial in memory of his brother Charles. This memorial takes the form of a sum sufficient to complete the original design of the church edifice which was built originally on the plan of a portion of York Cathedral in England, but which, owing to a lack of funds, was left incomplete. The work now renewed will include the carrying up of the buttresses in stone pinnacles, while finely carved stone cornices will follow the outlines of the building under the caves. This will merge into a fine parapet in the front of the edifice. Mr. George Keller is the architect and his work has been exceedingly well done.

Mrs. Charles H. Williams recently presented a silver baptismal shell to the church.

NORTH METHODIST.

The cool weather has brought the people back from seashore and mountain. The services last Sunday were largely attended.

Rev. D. W. Howell, the pastor, has returned from his vacation and is now busy laying out the work for the coming fall and winter.

The Rev. Dr. Pardington, conference evangelist, will conduct a series of meetings the last two weeks in October in this church.

Mr. Frank Waterhouse has returned from Atlanta, Ga., where he went for his health.

Superintendent Howard A. Camp has returned from the seashore.

Harold Cleasby and Burton Camp will attend Harvard College this winter.

Mis Bessie Cleasby will teach school in Springfield, Mass., this winter.

TRINITY CHURCH.

The rector, Rev. E. deF. Miel, has returned from his August vacation, and his assistant, Rev. Mr. Ogle, who has had charge of affairs during that time, has started for a three weeks outing.

The Sunday-school re-opened Sept. 14, with a good attendance. There are to be some radical changes in conducting the school which will be explained in a later number of the Review.

The last Sunday of the month will be observed as Rally Day, the program for which is being prepared.

The Sunday-school calendar is also in process of preparation and will be distributed that day.

FARMINGTON AVENUE CONGREGATIONAL.

Our pastor, Mr. Love, has returned from abroad, much benefitted, and reports a pleasant trip.

The Sunday-school resumed sessions Sunday, Sept. 14, with a fair attendance. Rally Sunday comes Sept. 28, and it is hoped a very great number will bear this in mind and plan to be on hand.

The annual business meeting of the Y. P. S. C. E. will be held Wednesday evening, Sept. 17. Reports will be in order and it is desired that all members be in attendance.

Mrs. R. H. Barnes, our new soprano, sang very effectively on Sunday morning last.

BUSINESS AND PLEASURE.

When a man raises his hat to a lady and discovers that she is a stranger, it requires considerable self-possession and skill to make believe he is only smoothing down his hair.

The Allyn House Barber Shop, in its new location at No. 158 Asylum street, and under the management of Mr. A. G. Perkins, has become one of the best equipped shops in the state. None but experienced and competent barbers are employed, and every possible precaution is made to insure absolute cleanliness at all times. Attention is called to the view of the interior, shown on page 3, in this issue.

"Oh, yes, our home is complete in every respect," said Mr. Proudpop. "Here is our bawl-room," he continued, opening the door to the nursery.

Under the management of Mr. E. H. Harris, the Franklin Market, No. 516 Main street, has attracted a large and steadily increasing trade. The class of goods sold is of the best and freshest, special efforts being made to secure always fresh eggs, butter and poultry. Satisfactory filling of orders and their prompt delivery is insured at this market.

Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes said: "The human race is divided into two classes: those who go ahead and do something, and those who sit still and inquire, "Why wasn't it done the other way?"

A shoe for women which has made a decided hit is the Allen's Kushion Comfort shoe, sold at Room 32, in the Catlin building. It is damp proof, has a hygenic cork insole, a centersole of antiseptic felt and rubber cushion heels. It makes walking a pleasure, saves jarring of the spine and prevents colds from wet feet. Mr. G. A. Merriman is the local agent.

The Chinese believe that he who labors without skill will be unsuccessful, and this truth is expressed by the saying, "A blind owl picking at random after worms," which describes quite well the efforts of the unskilled.

Messrs. Alfred Williams & Son, whose advertisement appears on page 16, are now taking orders for fall garments of every description for fall and winter wear. It is the best season just now, also, for repairing, and this work receives the best workmanship and is done at reasonable prices. The dressmaking deparment is a new and successful feature, and will well repay investigation.

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Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The religious services of the Association begin on Sunday, September 14th. There will be a meeting for men only, at 3:30 p. m., every Sunday afternoon from that date until the first of next June. The meetings of September and October will be held in Jewell Hall, Association building. From November 1 to April 1, the Religious Work Committee is planning to have a campaign for men to be conducted in the Hartford Opera House on Main street. An able list of speakers has been secured and it is expected that these meetings will be strongly marked with spiritual power.

The meetings for boys begin also September 14. They will be held at 3 o'clock in Fraternity Hall, Association building. Many of the prominent men who have been secured to speak at the men's service will also speak on special topics to the boys.

The new catalogues for the season of 1902-3 are issued. One, entitled "After the Day's Work, What?" is a pamphlet of 24 pages and is a very brief, concise statement of the fine advantages offered to young men in the evening educational classes of the Hillyer Institute. The curriculum for this season includes 23 different branches of study, every one of which is of great importance to wage earning young men of the community. Nineteen different teachers will be employed. The tuition fees range from $2 to $6 for a course of 20 weeks. Every young man who enters these classes must be a member of the Young Men's Christian Association, the cost of joining being $3. $5 or $10 for the year. These low rates bring the valuable privileges of the Association and the Hillyer Institute within the range of any young man who desires to take advantage of the opportunities presented.

In addition to the evening educational classes the advantages along social, physical and religious lines are more pronounced than ever. The entertainment course provided by the Association offers nine high class entertainments to its members for only $2. This course is easily worth four times as much. Any one of the numbers presented under their auspices would cost those who attend from 75 cents to $1.50 for a single seat. This privilege alone is worth the limited membership of $3 per year.

The Board of Management are facing again the usual financial problem. Over and above all regular sources of income that the Association has at its command, at least $7500 must be raised in subscriptions. This year the Board of Management want to raise $10,000. This will take care of the deficit of $3500 carried over from last year which was largely occasioned by the shortage in regular contributions for current expenses which was the result of the extra effort of raising the mortgage debt on the building. This $10,000, if secured, provides for the work of 1902-03 and would wipe out this floating debt of $3500. The Board of Management is hopeful that sometime in the near future some of the many friends of this work for young men and boys will endow some of the departments. Until that is done it will always be necessary for the Board to appeal each year for funds for current work.

The fall campaign opens Monday night, September 29, with a reception to young men of the city. This will be an evening for men only and a most delightful program has been provided. All young men of the city will be welcomed on that evening.

THE OPEN HEARTH.

The various departments of the Open Hearth have shown more activity during the month just past this year, than last year for the corresponding time.

The approach of autumn has made necessary the preparation of some more permanent and substantial mission room than the two election booths on the east lawn, which have served admirably during the warm weather; and so, largely by the work of men staying at the mission, the stable is being converted into a very fair sized service room.

The work of the Gospel Wagon has been favored by clear weather and the interest shown at Pope Park has been very gratifying and has opened the way for visiting at homes in the vicinity of Zion street, and becoming better acquainted with the people who have attended the meetings in the open air. The Rev. Rockwell H. Potter, E. Payson Hammond, Rev. Mr. Ogle and others, have assisted Mr. Miller in carrying forward the work.

New circumtances cause new problems and the problem of a great many children and a great many fruit trees cannot be said to have been entirely solved yet. It would not be possible to keep any exact account, though it would be interesting to know, how many hundred times the gates of the Open Hearth have opened to let children inside the playgrounds. It is remarkable how few have been the offenses, or breaches of order which have been committed during all the weeks of the summer. The customary way to meet present emergencies and prevent further trouble has been to deprive the offender of the privilege of playing in the garden for a number of days or a week.

There have been during the past four weeks, two more Courant Fresh Air Fund picnics, making a total of six that Mr. Miller has conducted this season.

The children's library continues to give out books and magazines two days a week. Contributions for this library would be very welcome.

THE DISCOVERY OF MOODY.

The Rev. J. B. Stillson, of Rochester, N. Y., "the man who discovered Moody," gives the following account of his first meeting with the evangelist, who was then a mere lad:

"The year of 1857 was a year of great revivals all over this land, and Chicago was sharing in the impulse. God was preparing the fathers and the young men of this country for the Civil War. These revivals of religion before great wars are facts in history, although I believe but few people have recognized them.

"I myself was eager to do something in an evangelistic way for God, and the opportunity came to me through an acquaintance which I formed with Lockwood Brown, who was then conducting the Bethel Mission. I ascertained from him where lay the worst quarter in the city, and I began to devote my spare time to visiting among its residents, talking with them wherever the opportunity offered, and distributing papers for them to read.

"I had been at this business for three or four weeks when one Sunday, having followed the river up as far as Van Buren street, I turned into a lumber yard just about noon. There I ran across a young fellow dressed in gray homespun, with brogans on his feet, but clean, every inch of him. He, too, was engaged in distributing papers.

"'What is your name,' said I.

"'D. L. Moody,' was the reply.'

"'What's your name?'

"'I told him, and then asked him where he came from.

"'From Boston,' said he. 'Where do you come from?'

"He was back like a flash with

every question which I asked him, and seemed determined to know as much about me as I should concerning him.

"I told him that I came from Rochester, N. Y., and inquired how long he had been in Chicago.

" 'Four months. How long have you been here?'

" 'Two months,' said I, 'and what are you doing, if I may ask?'

" 'I'm working for a shoemaker named Henderson,' said he. 'What are you doing?'

" 'I'm building the new custom house,' I replied. Then I asked him whom he knew in Chicago.

" 'I don't know nobody,' he replied, 'but Mr. Henderson. Whom do you know?'

"It was hard work to keep my face straight at these counter-questions, but he was too sincere to laugh at, so I replied as best I might, and inquired if his parents were living.

" 'Mother is—father's dead,' was his laconic response. 'Your folks livin'?'

"I asked him if he knew how far it was from Chicago to Boston, and Moody replied that he had no idea.

" 'Well,' said I, 'you are just about a thousand miles from your mother.' Then the thought came to me with overpowering force that if I had a boy over a thousand miles from home and mother, I'd be mighty thankful if some Christian man would pay a little attention to him in a city like Chicago. I invited the lad to accompany me in my walk. When we reached my hotel, on Franklin street, I invited Moody to come in and have dinner with me.

"He glanced down at his rough homespun and hesitated.

" 'Come in,' I urged; 'I'll be glad to have you.'

"With that, reluctance vanished, and we went up to my room. I suggested that, since we had been about the Lord's work, we might kneel down and ask his blessing upon our efforts. After dinner, and while we were in my room again, I told Moody that I had an invitation to speak that night in the Bethel Mission.

" 'Mr. Stillson,' said he, in a slow fashion that characterized him, 'I'd kinder like to go with you to that meeting.' 'Kinder like' was a favorite expression with him.

"Well, we went together to the mission, and when the meeting was over he accompanied me back to my hotel and into my room. After sitting quietly for a few moments, he blurted out:

" 'Mr. Stillson, I'd kinder like to work with you.'

"I replied that possibly such a joint effort might be productive of some good—that the Lord was accustomed Bible story was arranged by the Into send out his disciples two and two."

Such was the beginning of Mr. Stillson's connection with the great evangelist.—Rochester Post-Express.

ADDITIONAL BOOK NOTICES.

The Desert and the Sown. By Mary Hallock Foote. 312 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Houghton, Mifflin and Co. Price $1.50.

This is a book of many problems, any of which might furnish subject for debate. The story is not a long one, however.

One obtains herefrom many views of life and living. Shall a man, supposed to be dead, return to his relatives when his return must do harm, rather than good? Shall a man be forgiven when the stress of circumstance orders him to prove false to his parents? Such are the questions, and in presenting them the author shows different phases of wedded life—the happy and the unhappy marriages.

The story is an ably written one and no one may read it fairly and fail to be interested and thoughtful.

The Just and the Unjust. By Richard Bagot. 362 pages, 12 mo. New York: John Lane. Price $1.50.

Two of the author's earlier works, noticed recently in these columns, were in some degree exposures of methods of religious intrigue. These books were "A Roman Mystery" and "The Casting of Nets."

This new novel is a story of society life and one of great merit, though rather long. The purpose, if there be one, is not so rampantly apparent as in preceding novels. The principal character is an admirable old gentleman, endowed with the tact and graces which make him worthy the familiar title "a gentleman of the old school."

The book is clever and well written, portraying society life in a manner convincing and vivid.

Tons of Treasure. By William Henry Bishop. 274 pages, 12 mo. New York: Street and Smith. Price $1.

The interest-captivating title of this book is justified by the text, which furnishes successive thrills as one absorbing scene after another is unrolled.

It is, of course, a hunt for treasure which gives the material for this romance. The incidents occur in Mexico and the local color is so excellent as to make the book distinctive aside from its main motive, which is somewhat conventional.

The Beginner's Course in Bible Study. 158 pages, 12 mo. Boston: The Pilgrim Press.

This volume of fifty-two lessons in ternational Sunday School Lesson Committee and the simple style followed in its preparation make the study an easy and interesting one for beginners.

The book is illustrated by reproductions of paintings and by original drawings.

His Royal Highness—Woman, and His Majesty Cupid. 311 pages, 12 mo. New York: The Abbey Press. Price $1.50.

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Court the fresh air day and night. "Oh, if you knew what was in the air."

Sleep and rest abundantly. Sleep is nature's benediction.

"Be cheerful. "A light heart lives long." A merry heart doeth good like a medicine.

Think only healthful thoughts. "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he."

"Seek peace and pursue it."

"Work like a man, but don't be worked to death."

Avoid passion and excitement. A moment's anger may be fatal.

Associate with healthy people. Health is contagious as well as disease.

"Don't carry the whole world on your shoulders, far less the universe. Trust the Eternal."

Never despair. "Lost hope is a fatal disease."

"If you know these things, happy are ye if ye do them."—Sel.

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"The moral that is drawn from its human fable is one of appealing interest and pathos."—Richmond Va. Dispatch.

"Perhaps no stronger plea for the rights of the Indians can be found outside of Helen Hunt Jackson's "Century of Dishonor," than is embodied in Mr. Tileston's work. He describes forcibly by words, put into the mouth of Chiquita, the wrongs of the red man."—Chicago Tribune.

"The adventures of Chiquita in civilization, and her final return to the habits and customs of her ancestors are set forth, together with a lot of improving information as to the state of the country when Denver was a baby town."—New York Sun.

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Ralph Connor's new Glengarry stories—two delightful sketches of boy life in a field which he has already made famous—form one of the most attractive features of the September number of Leslie's Monthly.

"Digging up a Bible City" in the September Woman's Home Companion will be of special interest to Bible students. It throws some new and startling light on the creation.

One of the most striking features of the September Era Magazine is the excellent poetry. Theodosia Garrison, Nathan Haskell Dole, Norman H. Pitman, S. Scott Stinson, Rupert S. Holland and Charles Morris are represented. Charles McIlvaine, who is a recognized authority on the subect, writes in an interesting manner of "Some Autumnal Toadstools."

Barrie in his new story, "The Little White Bird," in Scribner's for September, introduces two curious minor characters, a club-waiter and a nurse girl. This tale displays what Barrie himself calls the narrator's "whimsical ideas."

Following upon the "human documents" concerning the West Indian eruptions which were printed in The Century for August, the September number presents the results of the scientific investigations made by Professors Robert T. Hill and Israel C. Russell, who, it will be remembered, were on the Dixie relief expedition which visited the islands in the latter part of May. The personal impressions and conclusions of these geologists are supplemented by maps and a large number of photographs taken by themselves and others.

Some short stories of rather unusual qualities mark the September Cosmopolitan. "Possession: Nine Points of the Law," by Francis Willing Wharton, is of special cleverness and interest. The up-to-date feature telling the life stories of various "Captains of Industry" is continued.

In the Eagle's Talon. By Shepard Stevens. 475 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Little, Brown and Co. Price $1.50.

The early days of St. Louis are made to furnish part of the setting of this story of the Louisiana Purchase. Some of the scenes are laid in Paris during the regime of the First Consul. The great Napoleon and his sister Caroline, Madame Murat, appear, and in the scenes where his personality is depicted one obtains a strong impression of the private character of Bonaparte. The author cannot be regarded as an unqualified admirer of the Consul.

The story is a strong one and the scenes in both hemispheres are of vivid interest. The adventure and the romantic elements are portrayed with sincerity and ability.

From "Lafitte of Louisiana."
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Lafitte of Louisiana. By Mary Devereux. 427 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Little, Brown and Co. Price $1.50.

The halo of mystery and romance surrounding the career of this pirate of the Lousiana bayous must have inspired this story, for it is full of the vivid detail that makes a story real.

The story opens with the pirate Jean Lafitte's meeting with Napoleon and closes with the battle of New Orleans, in which the British were defeated by Jackson, aided by the followers of Lafitte. It is hard to make a model hero out of a confirmed pirate and history is not so kind regarding Lafitte's record as the author is.

The story is picturesque and well worth reading despite an occasional dull page. The volume is well illustrated.

A Vacation with Nature. By Frank DeWitt Talmage. 276 pages, 16 mo. New York: Funk and Wagnalls Co. Price $1.00.

The son of the late T. DeWitt Talmage dedicates this book to his father. It is a worthy book he offers, dealing with the various phases of wildwood life as they appeal to him. The sub-

title of the book is "A Minister's Wood Rambles" and it is with the fervor of a high moral and spiritual purpose that he observes the out-door world, and considers the lessons and the inspiration in nature.

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Author of "In the Eagle's Talon."
Little, Brown & Co., Publishers.

The Starbucks. By Opie Read. 322 pages, 12 mo. Chicago: Laird and Lee. Price $1.50.

This book is a "novelized drama"—in other words, it is written from the author's well known and successful play of the same name, and is illustrated by photographic reproductions in color of scenes from the play.

It seems as though such illustrating would be more convincing and seem more real than the usual sketch or wash drawing and yet, it must be said, that these are not entirely natural, the "make-ups" of the characters being somewhat too evident.

The story is an excellent one, full of the author's characteristic pictures of human nature, in an understanding of, and a sympathy with which, he is unsurpassed.

Belshazzar. By Wm. Stearns Davis. 427 pages, 12 mo. New York: Doubleday, Page and Co. Price $1.50.

Such characters as King Cyrus of Persia and the prophet Daniel must be depicted with real power and with dignity in order to make convincing a historical novel. The wonderful "handwriting on the wall", as one of the most dramatic of historic events, is taken full advantage of by the author, who has devoted much study and original research to his subject.

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The Advanced First Reader. By Ellen M. Cyr.

Toward the Rising Sun. Sketches of Life in Eastern Lands.

New York: Ginn and Company.

The first named volume is well arranged and as it contains reproductions of famous paintings, it will be deemed by many of doubly instructive value. It is indeed fully adequate.

The second volume is the latest issue of the "Youth's Companion Series," of stories of peoples and countries. They are written by various capable writers and are interesting and instructive.

Mr. Whitman. By Elizabeth Pullen. 352 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Lothrop Publishing Co. Price $1.50.

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Special Orders for Commander Leigh. By Colonel Richard Henry Savage. 235 pages, 12 mo. New York: Home Publishing Company. Price $1.25.

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European and Japanese Gardens. By Various Writers. 162 pages, 8 vo. Philadelphia: H. T. Coates and Co. Price $2.00.

The subject of "Italian Gardens" is considered herein by Professor A. D. F. Hamlin of Columbia University. R. Clipton Sturgis writes of "English Gardens," and "French Gardening and Its Master" is the subject of John Galen Howard's contribution. Perhaps the most picturesque of gardens and parks are those of Japan. K. Honda, member of the Japanese Horticultural Society, tells of them, while C. H. Townsend describes a Japanese garden in California.

Of course the subject is an interesting one to every lover of the beautiful, yet the contributors have made a volume of eminent practical value as well. The illustrations are about one hundred and fifty in number and are reproductions from photographs, for the most part. Through the courtesy of the publishers we are enabled to reproduce one of them on this page.

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To render now thy talent to thy hand;
Forgive the meager increase, Lord, we plead,
Forgive the wasting of thy pregnant seed.

Where wide, white moons of harvest on us burn,
Amid the sweat of struggle we would turn
And thank thee for these honest, toil-worn days,—
In songs of work we give thee truest praise.

Some of thy servants give thee back tenfold,—
The gain is thine, no part would we withhold;
And we who bring thee naught, in silent pain,
Let us return to glean the fields again.

Lord God of Years, thy grateful people stand
To render now thy talent to thy hand;
Judge thou our service in its thought and deed;
Grant us the heart of joy,—thy workers' meed.

—Emery Pottle in The Sunday School Times.

VENICE.

By Rev. Wallace Nutting.

There is somewhere on the bed of the Atlantic, at least the legends say so, a great city, beautiful with towers and domes and palaces, tenanted now only by the nameless monsters of the deep. Far famed Atlantis sank with all its golden land and took its history along. But Venice, from the Adriatic veritably arose, and the impression is made vivid from the circumstance that the level around the edifices has been raised so that they seem slipping back into the deep whence they came, and indeed they are old enough and have seen woe enough to have grown tired of remaining above water.

A city of marble on a liquid mirror of blue! A city four miles at sea, but now helpless in the grasp of the long iron arm that has reached out and seized it from the Italian shore. A city of thick sown islands made one by high springing bridges that, like magnified inch worms, with their backs up, reach across the flowing streets, and let the gondolas pass under. A city where the Philadelphian scrub maid is not needed, for the front steps are always washed. The only dustless city in all the world! The city where the prisons are of marbles and the churches plated with gold and the factories are old palaces. Where the freight boats have bright colored sails, and the gondolas are all dead black, with little canopies upholstered in black with black tassels, looking for all the world like floating hearses. Not because the Venetians like somber things. Oh! no. But in the olden time the owners of gondolas became so extravagant with decorations of brilliant dye that the city fathers were afraid the people would be ruined and so passed the law requiring plain black. For here the young dandy devotes to his swift gondola all the attention our young men give to fast horses.

We were especially fortunate in meeting on our train for Venice a prominent resident of the city who had been travelling in India in the interests of the Italian railways. He took us to a gondolier who has a high head among his fellows for winning many races. It was comforting to feel we were in the hands of an expert as we moved along in the ghostly shadows through narrow cross water ways, and around sharp corners. The apparently unwieldy craft, reaching at either end a long head high out of water like a harnessed sea-snake, wound about so truly responsive to the single oar, at once propelling and steering, that we would sometimes pass by almost a hair's breadth, a sharp stone corner of a dark old mansion.

It is so easy to adapt one's self to this sea city that on the morning after arrival one goes out and bargains with the gondolier who waits his turn at the hotel water gate. Of course if he is not gifted with a little English we are at liberty to find on the front of the plaza by the Doge's Palace a "driver" more to our taste.

Venice the beautiful is a little nearer dreamland than any other city. To some, when Venice is carried too far it grows from a dream to a nightmare, and it had need be a nightmare for there are no horses beside.

For eleven hundred years from its foundation foreign foe never held these islands. Beginning as a fishing hamlet; established on flat sand shoals by fugitives from the Gothic invaders who came down over the Alps, it grew to possess colonies, rule provinces, negotiate treaties, receive the embassies of great kings and make war with what was then a formidable foe, the Saracenic Empire. In one hundred days Venice in her prime could send out fitted for service a great war galley every day. Her arsenals were the best and greatest of Europe; her po-

litical leaders most astute; her wealth prodigious; the spoils of old civilizations, brought to beautify her temples and palaces were priceless.

St. Mark's is a church literally encrusted with precious products from all lands. All marbles, every style of Mosaic, are here. There is in all the world no similar space so crowded with architectural and ancient and artistic gems. In its front is a great square from which its five fold arched doorways are viewed with perfect effect. Its brilliant hues are no painter's colors, but there are traced in delicate inlays of stone the scenes of human redemption and superhuman love. About the remaining sides of the square are grouped dignified structures under whose continuous colonnade are shops filled with marvels of endless shapes and beauties in glass, gold, and marble. At one side rises the straight slender shaft on the Campanile (recently destroyed), like a needle piercing the heavens, and diffusing its blue dye. Beyond reach, in long extended glory, the graceful arches of the palace within whose sculptured walls so many mighty men have sat in conclave and so many dark deeds, now forgotten by all but God and the perpetrators, have been committed.

For natural beauty of sky and sea, for the triumphs of artist and artizan, for historic associations, there is no spot comparable with the plaza of Venice. Florence surpasses it in sculpture and literary interest; Rome in its past, Paris in its present, and American cities in their prophecy, but Venice must remain, so long as men love the perfect, a Mecca of pilgrims bent on making or retrading poetry; or seeking to be taken for a dream rest on the lap of Nature.

For, although the cabman is a gondolier, the dray is a scow, the omnibus is a little steamer, although a warship of united Italy lies off in the lagoon you are not found by these calls to live in to-day. You are, and must be in a world fancy free. On the Rialto you see not the present merchant of Venice but that illustrious one who visits us with Shakespeare on a Winter's Night. Before the arsenal's front your eye calls up the proud phalanx of galleys that went out to Lepanto against the always unspeakable Turk, and returned with plans of victory, for God had driven back before them the infidel and saved to Southern Europe the religion of the Cross.

From our hotel window, where appear the long lights of the Grand Canal and the longer shadows of St. Georges Maggiore's spire from its far isle, while the evening parties, each carried rapidly but silently forward by its two gaily liveried gondoliers, file in procession beneath, and the splendid tones of a great soprano alternating with a rich baritone and joined by a chorus float up to tell us that the last rehearsals are being given for the midsummer musical fete. From this window we slip away into a real dream land and awake to be piloted away amid the cold mists of a four o'clock journey through the maze of water paths till we are behind a locomotive, and Venice is a lost, elusive dream.—The Home Guard.

Rev. Stephen Goodwin Hastings.

REV. STEPHEN GOODWIN HASTINGS.

Rev. Stephen Goodwin Hastings was born in West Suffield, Conn., and is the second of six children of James G. and Mary Ann Cartter Hastings He received his education in the schools of Suffield, including the Connecticut Literary Institute, and at Brown University of Providence, R. I. He was ordained at Belchertown, Mass., in May, 1881.

Previous to coming to Hartford he has had four pastorates, as follows: Belchertown, Mass., 1880-'85; Jewett City, Conn., 1885-'89; Antrim, N. H., 1890-'94; Montville, Conn., 1896-1902.

In 1880 Mr. Hastings married Miss Mary Adaline Downs of West Otis, Mass.

He accepted a call to the Olivet Baptist church, beginning his labors there on Sept. 1, 1902. His previous training and experience have well fitted him for effective work in his new pastorate, to which he comes with the best recommendations from former parishioners, and the best wishes and promised support of Hartford Baptists.

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In 1892, certain members of the Hartford Baptist churches organized the Hartford Baptist Union, which has been largely instrumental in building up the Parkville mission and has helped it to a considerable extent, financially.

In June, 1892, Rev. Robert Bell Fisher became superintendent of the Union, and in that capacity did much effective work for the mission.

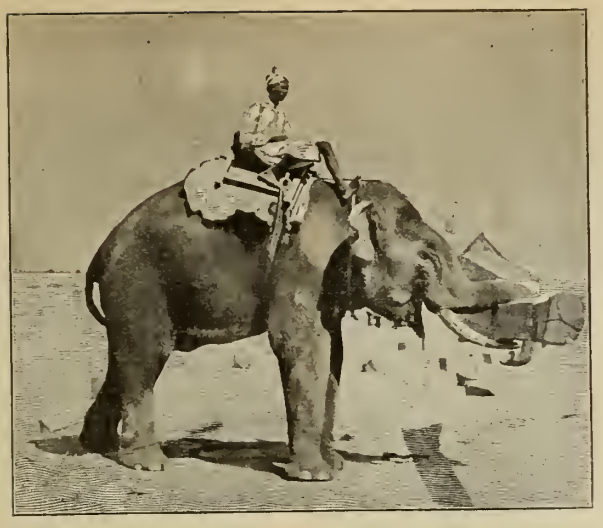
In 1894, Mr. Fisher was succeeded by Rev. Raymond Maplesden, who, for a few months accomplished some very effective work.

In the latter half of 1895, Rev. Walter R. Bartlett of West Hartford, was employed to preach Sunday evenings and to do some pastoral work. Some progress was made during this period, and on Dec. 1, 1895, when Rev. Arthur Warren Smith took charge of the field, a new era was fairly begun.

In March, 1896, formal church organization was effected with a constituent membership of forty-one, and on Apr. 7, Mr. Smith was called to be pastor. He remained with the church until Oct., 1897, and was succeeded by Rev. J. B. Connell. Mr. Connell served the church for over four years, resigning in 1902. He has recently been succeeded by Rev. Mr. Hastings, of whom a personal sketch is given herewith.

Olivet Baptist Church.

The church is in a healthy state of growth and while still dependent to some extent, financially, on the Hartford Baptist Union, it is believed that the time is not far distant when it can and will stand alone.



ELEPHANT PILING TEAK.

AT THE ENDS OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

By Robert E. Speer.

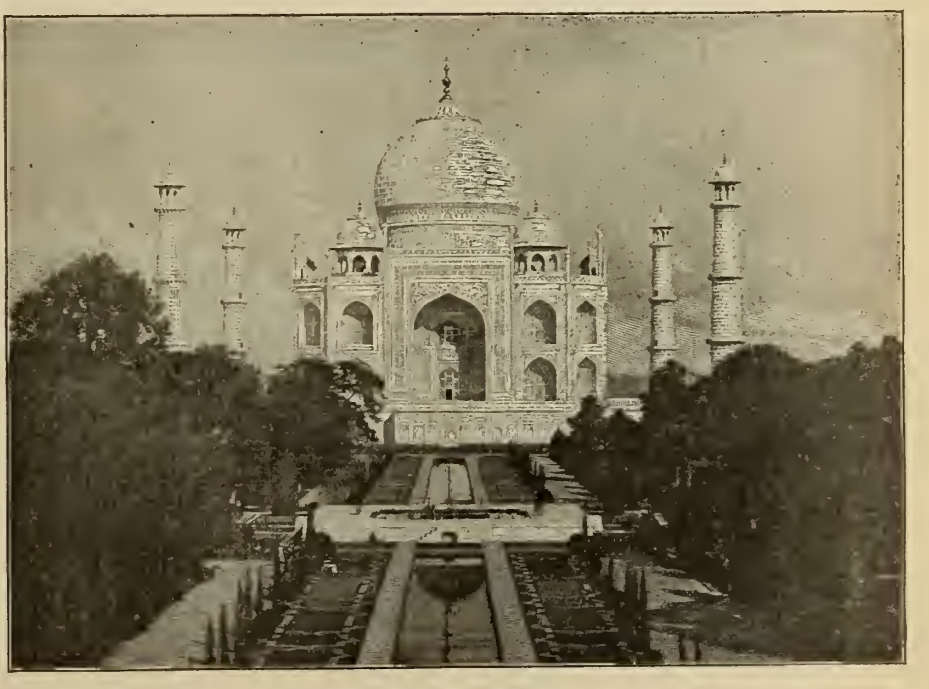
(Continued from September number.)

Arabia is the past undisturbed. India is a medley of memories and expectations, of discords. The railroad and the pith and the hard mechanical matter-of-factness of the West side by side with the silent shadow in a loin cloth, the jangling silver anklets below a chuddra, the creaking bullock cart and the dreaming mystery. On one side is old India, the India of the people, superstitions, unmoving, women waiting wearily for the dim hope of some future transmigration, fakirs holding up arms until they die of atrophy or distorting themselves out of human similitude, or sitting like beasts among their offal, priests and politicians talking, talking, talking, with no sense of imperative morality or the incompatibility of contradictories, and gibbering over the whole universe of seen and unseen, with back of it all the sad earnestness of a great people and the patience and suffering of a race which, as the "Hindu" says, has for ages known only the place of the slave, and has found its strength in a quietness and a confidence which are the sisters of death.

This old undisturbed India is fascinating to study, though it makes the heart sick. Its poverty is inconceivable to us profligates of the West. The entire household furniture of the villager is not worth two dollars and his wardrobe could be duplicated for fifty cents. More than one hundred millions of its people never have enough to eat. In times of plenty, multitudes live off animals which have died, and in famine they only drink the last dregs of a life-long cup of suffering and pain. During the last great famine in the Northwest Provinces, the government had gathered thousands at Agra for employment on the relief works. The wages were two or three cents a day, enough to keep body and soul together. To and fro the weakened women and children moved, bearing their baskets of earth on their heads, under the shadow of the Taj Mahal, whose snowy dome and minarets looked down coldly on Hindu and Moslem alike—type and remnant of the haughty tyrants who had ruled and ruined and passed away, while a new race of rulers had come to the land,

"Raising the hearts of its sons from the dust,
Wielding their sway as a sacred trust,
Forswearing the past with its greed and lust,
Holding fair scales to the white and black,
Sowing their love in the famine's track."

Whoever would see the old India can, of course, see it anywhere, for the new India lies very thin over it. But to Benares he must surely go. There, by the sluggish Ganges, holy and calm, he will breathe air heavy with the crushed flowers of the offerings, move amid the stare of idols and the crowds of worshipers from every quarter of India, bowing to the phallic symbols and staring heedlessly at temple carvings so obscene as to have required exemption by government from the operation of the laws against foul imagery and decoration, watch the multitudes bathe in the sacred stream and worship its green waters, look on the great pool of some deity's sweat in which other devout souls bathe with milk and flowers and yellow powder for offerings, and on whose bank a priest is teaching a small boy to read the Shastras with stately bowings and gesticulations. Nearly naked priests lie by the roadside or wander past. Sacred cows roam through the temple courts. Monkeys swing down from the trees and grin at some stone idol which with leering face daubed with red paint grins back stolidly. From the river bank rises the smoke of the funeral pyre, and over a sewer's mouth the dhobies are at work, and their clothes, washed in the foul and holy stream, are spread on the banks to dry. There is a certain levity and irreligiousness about it all to a Western mind, but it is the religion of India in its holiest city. The odor of the jungle and the plain, and the color of a world that is not ours, are here, where these people from every state of the great empire come to worship their three hundred



THE TAJ MAHAL, AGRA.

ENTRANCE TO GREAT PAGODA, AT RANGOON.

million gods, the three hundred million gods of their fathers.

And yet over this people as numerous as their gods, a foreign King rules with less than seventy thousand soldiers of his own race to support his sovereignty. It is a popular sovereignty? Lord George Hamilton declared in Parliament, "that whatever we do our government will never be popular in India." At this loyal Hindus and their people hold up their hands and protest their love and loyalty. But popular the British government is not and popular it never will be. It holds India not by the popularity of its rule, excellent and salutary as it is, and with many disliked and abhorred just in proportion as it is excellent and salutary, but by reason of the dissensions of India within—racial, national, linguistic, religious—and by reason of that moral superiority and benefit of righteous service which constitute title by the will of God.

"India is a very curious place," as the enlightened Paget, M. P., remarked to Orde. From Strickland's point of view, very few people know anything about it. The Mutiny taught a great many people who thought they knew that they were very ignorant. England thinks the handsome Sikh soldiers can be trusted anywhere, and one finds them policing the streets of Hongkong, Shanghai and Singapore. Fine looking fellows and trusty they are. So are many native regiments, Moslem and Hindu. And with one hundred and forty thousand such soldiers, stiffened by seventy thousand with white faces, India is equipped, Moslems constituting the garrisons on Hindu soil and Hindus holding the forts among Mohammedans. A man is trusted best away from his own people and among his foes.

It was the Holi festival as we left Calcutta. It is an interesting festival for those who are interested by coarse suggestiveness and who like to see people smeared with red stain on the street or with red powder dropped from upstairs windows. The white-clad students found it trying Men and boys, armed with great syringes squirting a quart or so of crimson fluid, ruined the clothes of many a poor fellow owning but little. Bathing in the sacred river becomes doubly necessary at such sacred seasons.

Across the Bay of Bengal from Calcutta lies the westernmost bound of the Indian Empire, and as far as the East is from the West are the stillness of spirit, the soft indolence of faith, the stupor of nature of Rangoon from the strident speech, the vigor of passion the vivacity of bigotry of the Arab and the Turk. This is the impressionist's generalization, and it is reasonably just. The very roundness of the pagodas speaks of effeminacy and the soft vaporous breeze woos to lethargy. "An' the sunshine an' the palm tree an' the tinkly temple bells" all sing low and soft, "Come rest and sleep. Hush and be still."

From Maudalay, through jungle and forest the Irriwaddy glides down past Rangoon.

"Do they call me rich in trade?
Little care I, but hear the shorn priest
droue,
And watch my silk-clad lovers, ma by maid,
Laugh 'neath my Shwe Dagon."

Shwe Dagon is the great gilt-covered Pagoda of Rangoon Under its shadow are some graves of British soldiers who fell when the hill was taken in 1857. Great open-mouthed figures guard the long ascending entrance. Beggars wait with their bowls arranged in rows. Candles for offerings are laid out for sale. They are made for this trade in Belgium and Great Britain. The West sells even idols to the East. Immense pagodas surround Shwe Dagon, and Hindus and Chinese have built their shrines under its shelter. Buddhas great and small, white and gold, wood and stone, sit cross-legged and solemn in their niches. Here in a corner the foot-prints, four or five feet long. At Benares the priests show you Vishnu's tiny foot-prints, less than five inches in length. Buddha's feet are distinctly in another class. There is a warehouse of decrepid gods in one corner. Carpenters are freshening some of them. An air of tranquility and friendlinss hangs over all, and the temple classes squat about their teachers or the fortune-tellers with a spirit of listless content which makes the traveler wonder whether there is any such terrible world of responsibility and effort and urgency as that of which he has been a part and to whose maelstrom he must return.

And here in the courts of Shwe Dagon we saw her. You may see her there any day.

"'Er petticoat was yaller an' 'er little cap was green,
An' 'er name was Supi-yaw-lat—jes the same as Theebaw's Que n."

She looks very fresh now, this Burmah girl, but she will wither soon, and who knows what she may be when the great, swinging wheel of life in which she is caught revolves once again, and she wakes up maybe a brute maybe vermin, maybe—the longing of her heart is for this ten thousand lives' distant hope—a man! Perhaps, meanwhile, she will marry a Chinaman, honestly wifeless hitherto or with an expectant wife awaiting his returning to Quangtung. The Chinese are not unpopular husbands in the Straits or Burmah. They work. No beaver can surpass them. To the south, in the Straits Settlements proper, the Chinese made up 227,989 of the total population of 512,342 in 1896, and the preceding year 60,559 of them had immigrated into Penang and Province Wellesley alone.

In any of the great teak markets of Burmah one may see the *hathis* at work:

"Elephints a-piliu' teak

In the sludgy, squdgy, creek,
Where the silence 'ung that 'eavy you
was 'arf afraid to speak!"

It is a vision of superb power combined with superb intelligence, a marvel of discipline and obedience. And it gives one an eerie feeling to see a great black fellow swing down the main street of a town as orderly as any citizen.

It took many years, the lives of innumerable brave men, patience and persistent will to bring all these people under orderly government and to establish over them the institutions of a just rule. Whether the process pleased the dacoits in the jungle is of no consequence. Those who have, not only may, they must, give what they have to those who have not. As there are compulsory quarantines and enforced benefices in any civilized land, so civilization cannot pass by and leave the degraded peoples to sit content amid their squalor, under the sting of their tyrannies, hiding from the eye of mankind the resources of their territories and withholding from the service of the world the useful ministry of their hands.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

The first meeting of the Young Men's Guild for this season was held with F. Goodwin Smith, Thursday evening, Oct. 2.

The sessions of the Sunday-school will be held until further notice at 9:40, Sunday mornings.

During the absence of the rector the last three Sundays in August the regular morning service was read by W. A. Briggs.

Among those to enter upon mission work in the China field this fall is Mr. A. R. VanMeter, whom many of us remember with pleasure as the rector's assistant a few years ago. Mr. VanMeter graduated from the Philadelphia Divinity School last June, where he studied with special regard for future missionary work.

The first meeting of St. John's Missionary Society was held with Mrs. Bradin, 84 Vernon street, on Friday, Oct. 10.

OLIVET BAPTIST.

On Friday evening, Oct. 3, our Christian Endeavor Society gave a "Shadow Tableau" and musical entertainment, from which we realized about fifteen dollars.

Our new pastor, Rev. S. G. Hastings, is now with us a portion of the time. In the very near future he will reside on Sisson avenue.

On Sunday evening, Oct. 12, the subject of our C. E. meeting was "Fruitful or Fruitless." Each member was requested to bring to that meeting some fruit, excepting bananas. This was taken the following day and distributed to the children at the Hartford Hospital.

The "Rally Day" services of the Sunday-school were observed on Oct. 12. In spite of the stormy weather about one hundred and twenty-five were present.

ASYLUM HILL CONGREGATIONAL

Since the resumption of the Sunday-school and young people's meetings on Sep. 14, there has been a fair attendance for the succession of rainy Sundays. The lesson in Old Testament history are proving very interesting and we trust profitable.

The Junior Circle of missionary study and work is to hold its first meeting in the chapel on Friday, Oct. 17, at 3:30 p. m. All girls between the ages of 10 and 18 are cordially invited to become members of the Circle.

A most interesting address was given at the young people's meeting, Oct. 12, by Rev. J. McHenry Farley, an ex-slave, who is interested in the work of a Southern school for colored youth. The sight of an ex-slave is becoming rare, and soon none will be left. Mr. Farley is 72 years old.

A very painful loss came to our church and Sunday-school in the sudden death of Miss Mabel Allen, an honored member of both, on the first day of October. Her family have the unstinted sympathy of all in their great bereavement.

FIRST METHODIST.

Sunday, Oct. 12, was observed as Rally Day of the Sunday school. Addresses were made by the Rev. Ernest DeF. Miel of Trinity Episcopal church and Capt. John M. Parker, an ex-superintendent of our school.

The gentlemen of our League are preparing an entertainment for the evening of Oct. 22. An interesting program has been arranged.

Our church services are more and more attractive. A great deal of interest is being manifested in the meetings.

PARK CONGREGATIONAL.

Oct. 3, the Ladies' Missionary and Sewing Society held its first meeting this season. Plans for the coming season were outlined. Dr. Fuller, our foreign pastor, president of Aintab College, Turkey, was present and preached the sermon on Sunday, Oct. 5. The following Tuesday a reception was given to our pastor and Dr. Fuller in the chapel. All who desired to meet Dr. Fuller were given an opportunity to do so.

Friday, Oct. 10, the Mission Circle held its first meeting this year, at 3 o'clock. The following officers were elected: Pres., Mrs. Couch; vice-pres., Miss Marion Jones; sec., Miss Clara Hines; treas., Miss Lucy Hunt; chairman work committee, Miss Alice Wilcox. It was decided that the president should appoint the social committee.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

The different societies of the parish have resumed work and they are hoping to make the coming season more profitable than any previous season.

The Sunday-school is ready to fill the church as soon as the morning congregation leave their seats.

The Girls' Friendly Society is organizing a volunteer choir to assist in the public worship.

The Woman's Missionary Society is busy making cassocks for new members of the choir.

The Mens Club had a good opening on Thursday, Oct. 9, in the parlor of the parish house.

The regular monthly reception of the rector will be held on Friday, Oct. 17.

BLUE HILLS AVE. CHAPEL.

The three lines of work which have been carried on here, have been taken up for the year, after having been dropped for the summer.

The first Sunday evening service was held on Oct. 12, with Mr. W. B. Seabury, of the Seminary, as preacher. Mr. R. N. Fulton and Mr. Seabury will have this branch of the work in charge during the year.

The Sunday-school has resumed its sessions with a good attendance record, notwithstanding the succession of rainy Sundays, and the Juvenile Temple seems to be in a somewhat vigorous condition. Miss Lucy Sweet has resigned her position as leader, much to the regret of the members of the Temple and all interested in it. Miss Belle S. Latimer will succeed Miss Sweet and the young people will be well led in the work which has been undertaken for them.

WINDSOR AVE. CONGREGATIONAL.

Special religious meetings are to be held in the church during the last week of October.

A church social was held Tuesday evening, Oct. 3.

Friday evening, Oct. 10, the Christian Endeavor Society gave an Apple Social, to which our neighbors, the North Methodist C. E., were invited. An enjoyable evening was spent.

A Choral Club has been formed recently in connection with the church. Mr. R. O. Phelps, the organist, is director of the club.

The Christian Endeavor Society is to entertain the Hartford Union next Monday afternoon and evening.

The Ladies' Aid Society have begun its winter work.

WARBURTON CHAPEL.

Rally Day was observed by the Sunday-school Oct. 12. Rev. Elliott F. Talmadge gave the rally address, with the motto, "Go Forward." Roosevelt rally cards were distributed at the close of the service.

A Sunday-school concert was given in the evening. Rev. Rockwell H. Potter was the speaker. The subject was "Hope" and Bible verses were recited by the teachers and scholars. Our choir, recently organized, assisted at both of these services. Decorations were arranged of autumn leaves and salveas.

The teachers had their first regular weekly meeting Oct. 7, with twenty-six present.

Bi-weekly mother's meetings will be held during the season, beginning with a rally Oct. 16.

Some of our scholars are suffering from whooping cough and one is at the hospital with scarlet fever.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, EAST HARTFORD.

Nine new members were received into the Endeavor Society this month. This is the largest number at one time for several years.

At the annual meeting of the Christian Endeavor Society, Mr. James Johnston, Jr., was elected president, Mr. George Goodwin, the retiring president, declining a re-election. The society has done some excellent work the past year, especially in the social committee.

An effort is being made to reduce the church debt, which has reached over $3,000. Although the day on which the offering was taken was stormy and but few persons were present, about $300 in cash and pledges was reported. It is hoped that $1,000 may be raised before the close of the year.

SOUTH PARK METHODIST.

At the annual election of officers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, held Monday evening, Oct. 6, the following were chosen: Pres. Mrs. H. E. Parkhurst; vice-prests., Mrs. J. A. Macmillan, Mrs. P. H. Ober, Mrs R E. McCausland; recording secy., Mrs. L. G. Melberger; cor. secy., Miss M. L. Jackson; treas., Mrs. V. H. Olmstead; literature secy., Miss Helen Gale; mite box secy., Miss A. R. Witham.

The annual Rally Day of the Sunday-school was observed Sunday, Oct. 12, with appropriate exercises, including an address by Mr. Oscar Phelps, superintendent of the Warburton Chapel Sunday-school. Each scholar was given a souvenir card with a portrait of President Roosevelt and a selection from his letter to the Sunday-school Times concerning Rally Day.

The second and third quarterly conferences will be held on Wednesday evening, Oct. 15, by Presiding Elder W. A. Richard.

On Friday evening, Oct. 17, the Junior Epworth League will hold its first social, from 5 to 8 p. m. The members will have a social time, with refreshments, and at 8 o'clock there will be a short program.

WETHERSFIELD CONGREGATIONAL.

Sept. 23, eleven delegates attended the annual meeting of the Wethersfield and Berlin Sunday-school Union, held in New Britain at the Center church.

Sept. 28, there was a large attendance at Sunday-school Rally Day. Special music by the church quartet, roll-call, and brief addresses by our supt., asst. supt. and pastor, were special features of the day.

Sept. 30, a "mother's meeting" was started and will probably be of much benefit to the many mothers in town.

Oct. 5, the Griswoldville Sunday-school observed Rally Day in their chapel. Our pastor made an address.

Oct. 5, the C. E. Society held their regular monthly missionary meeting followed by the semi-annual election of officers and committees, as follows: Pres., John Buck; vice-pres., Alice Adams; secy., Albert Morgan; treas., David Chaffee.

WINDSOR CONGREGATIONAL.

There have been several delays in the building of our parish house, but at last it is completed and now we are waiting for the electric lights.

These will probably be ready soon so that in the next issue of the Church Review we can give an account of the dedication.

WINDSOR METHODIST.

The Father Howson's Young People's Union held its 29th meeting with the Epworth League of our church and a most delightful occasion was enjoyed Excellent addresses were delivered by Rev. Dr. Yates of Hazardville on "Getting your own," and by the Rev. B. B. Brown of St. Paul's M. E. church Hartford, on "A Champion of Justice." The next meeting of the Union will be held with the Epworth League of West Suffield M. E. church, Friday afternoon and evening. Addresses will be delivered by Rev. E. O. Tree of Shelton and Rev. C. W. McCormick of Hartford.

The Rev. E. O. Tree of Shelton, a former pastor, will preach, by exchange, in our church on Sunday, Oct. 19.

The Ladies' Aid Society is making arrangements for its Harvest Supper, to be given Wednesday, Nov. 5.

A Bible Study Class has been organized, numbering 20 members, with Prof. B. G. Annis as leader. The text book to be used is "Studies in the Life of Christ."

A new furnace will be put in the church in the course of the week.

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH.

Owing to delays in the repairs and cleaning of the church during August, services were not resumed until the second Sunday in September. On that day the church was opened with morning service and celebration of the Holy Communion, followed by the first fall session of the Sunday-school. Since then, Sunday evening services have been resumed and the Parish Guild, Young People's Club and the Junior Chapter of St. Andrew's Brotherhood have all begun their regular meetings.

During the month of August the church was thoroughly cleaned and everything put in order. Now the Young People's Club are arranging to have the parish hall newly frescoed and the woodwork inside painted, so that when we get our new pipe organ, which is expected to be in place early in November, we shall feel that everything is very complete.

We are very glad to say that the health of our beloved rector has improved and is still improving, so that he is able to attend to his usual parish duties.

Again death has entered the ranks of our vestry. Last month we chronicled the death of Mr. C. B. Sherwood. On Oct. 4, Mr. Rufus Johnson, another member of the vestry, died of Bright's disease, after a long illness, at the age of 35 years. He was a man of rather quiet and retiring disposi-

tion, consequently his many good qualities were appreciated only by those who knew him intimately. Mr. Johnson's funeral was held in the church Monday, Oct. 6, and the body taken to Athol, Mass., for burial. He left a widow who has the sympathy of the parish. Appropriate resolutions were passed by the vestry, at special meetings held for the purpose, on the death of both Mr. Sherwood and Mr. Johnson.

BLOOMFIELD CONGREGATIONAL

Mrs. W. F. Miller, who has been visiting her brother in Lewistown, Montana, since the early part of September, is expected home the 20th of this month.

The very unpleasant weather for the past month or six weeks has prevented any real trial of the second Sunday evening service. The attendance upon the two possible evenings was encouragingly good.

With most commendable trust in Providence for a supply of fuel to use in it, the Ecclesiastical Society has voted to put a new Kelsey Generator in the church to take the place of the old furnace, which is quite beyond repair.

The town election, Oct 6, was held in the new town building. Heretofore the lecture room of the church has been the polling place. We are somehow of opinion that that kind of mingling of politics and religion is not called for, and that the financial gain to the church was more than offset by other things.

Rally Day for the Sunday-school occurred Oct. 5. It rained, but as that is a thing taken for granted this year, the attendance was very gratifying to the superintendent. The exercises were not elaborate, but well rendered. The unavoidable absence of the superintendent of the Home Department was a disappointment. This part of the work is under the efficient care of Mrs. E. R Wood.

The annual Fair and Festival of the church was held on Oct. 9 and 10. Such a thing means a great deal of hard work, but it is generally agreed that it pays. There was a large crowd present both evenings.

The gross receipts were close to $300 and the expenses not large.

Mrs. F. H. Darling, who went to Cleveland last spring, with her daughter, Mrs. E. H. Taylor, has returned.

Miss Ida J. Wilcox who has spent the summer at Oxford, Me., was with us Sunday, Oct. 5, and led the C. E. meeting.

Albert L. Brown, the son of our pastor, is a freshman at Yale.

FOURTH CONGREGATIONAL.

Our pastor and his wife returned Sept. 16, from a three months' vacation in Scotland and England. They reported a very pleasant trip and both returned much improved in health. The month of July was passed in the Highlands of Scotland; then a trip was taken to London, visiting many of the Cathedral towns on the way and arriving in time to see the coronation festivities. London became the headquarters for the month of August and then a short trip was taken into Wales, Unfortunately the return voyage was very rough and the steamer was delayed, but the party reached home safely September 16. A reception was tendered Rev. and Mrs. Kelsey by the ladies of the church and a large number of friends were present to greet them.

Rally Day was observed in the church September 28. In spite of the unfavorable weather, good congregations attended. In the morning service "The Successful Church" was the theme and emphasis was given to the work of the Sunday-school. At the Sunday-school session, a printed order of service was used and a bright talk was given by Mr. Oscar Phelps, Supt. of Warburton Chapel. The result was an interesting and inspiring service. The young people meet in a union service in the afternoon, at which service interesting missionary biographies were given. In the evening a musical service was given by the choir, the chief place in which was given to Gaul's "Holy City."

The young people have united into one Society of Christian Endeavor and hold their meetings Sunday afternoons, at 5:30.

Dr. Dawson, of the Bible Normal College, is to have charge of the Young Men's Class this winter and the prospects are good for a strong organization.

Mr. Sleeper has started among the members of his chorus choir, a sight-singing class, and a class in harmony. Both promise to be successful. For a small sum those who are not members of the choir can get the benefit of these classes.

MEMORIAL BAPTIST.

Friday evening, Sept. 20, a reception was given for our pastor and his wife, by the Pastor's Social Aid Society. A very pleasant evening was spent.

The union prayer meeting of all the Hartford Baptist churches was held with us on Thursday, Oct. 9. The meeting was in charge of the Hartford Baptist Union. There was a large attendance and the service was characteristic of the spirit of love existing between the churches. In every prayer there was a desire that the coming winter might be one of greater service for Christ.

Rally Sunday was observed by the Bible School and the session was well attended in spite of the stormy weather.

Mr. Robert Brown, a student from the Yale Divinity School, spoke at the evening service on Oct. 12. His subject was "Confessing Christ." His words were earnest and helpful.

ASYLUM AVE. BAPTIST.

At our consecration meeting, Oct. 12, Rev. Mr. Maplesden gave a very interesting account of life in India, which was much enjoyed. We are very glad to know that he and his family are soon to unite with our church.

It is surprising to see the interest manifested by the Juniors.

NEWINGTON CONGREGATIONAL.

Secretary Goddard, and three others addressed our C. E. meeting and told us the work of the Y. M. C. A., the last Sunday evening in September.

The Ladies' Aid Society have recently purchased five dozen knives, forks and spoons.

The church supper held in September, was a success and another will be given Oct. 17. A little farce, entitled ' Six cups of chocolate'' will be given in the evening.

Our annual Rally Day comes Oct. 19

A missionary rally will be held on Sunday, Oct. 26.

The Young Women's Foreign Missionary Society will study the early missionaries at its next meeting, the last Friday in the month.

The Cheerful Givers are preparing to hold a fair in the near future.

NEW BRITAIN AVE. MISSION.

Sept. 26, the Ladies' Aid Society election resulted as follows: Mrs. Joslyn, pres; Mrs. Roys, vice-pres; Mrs. E. J. Longdon, secy. and treas. Directresses Mrs. F. D. Clare and Mrs. W. Webb; visiting committee, Mrs. Myers and Mrs. Townsend. The society intends to give one of its suppers in the near future.

The following are those who have spoken to us the past month: Rev. L. H. Higgins, Rev. Mr. Travers, Rev. Mr. Forbes and S. W. Raymond.

Oct. 13, the teachers' meetings commenced again under the leadership of Mr. Irving Robb, of the Theological Seminary.

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CHRISTIAN UNITY.

Probably the day is far distant when all who bear the name of Christian will interpret the scriptures alike, think alike, worship alike, or adopt like methods for spreading the gospel. Indeed, if such complete unity comes too soon, it may mean a sort of spiritual stagnation all around. In the fullness of time, when Christ's kingdom is to come on earth, we may hope for a complete unity among His subjects, but we are probably still far from that ideal time.

But yet we are even now all called of One Hope. One Lord we have, One Spirit, One Faith, One God and Father over all. And does not our unity in these respects make of us One Body in a very real sense.

Denominations of Christians multiply, and their creeds are revised by each generation. Different congregations of the same denomination accuse each other of heresy. This sort of thing will probably go on for some time yet, as our human nature seems to be ever inclined that way.

But in the efforts to enlarge the particular denomination, how often do we see a reckless waste of men and money, the means which could carry Christianity where it is seldom or never known. In how many small towns do we witness two or three churches struggling to exist, when one could be well maintained and minister to every essential Christian need. On the other hand we witness in our large centers of population, districts which average one church for every ten thousand population, while the same districts provide one saloon for every two hundred people.

These conditions would not prevail were there a proper co-operation between Christian bodies, and this fact is beginning to be realized. Federations of churches are being formed, and while, as yet, their scope of work is narrowly limited in most cases, yet they indicate a hopeful move in the right direction.

In seeking Christian unity we need not lay aside our personal tastes in ritual or polity, but if we would realize that the essentials of Christianity are held by us all, we could organize and federate our forces so as to accomplish far greater results in our work for Christ.

CONNECTICUT, THE PIONEER.

Under the above title, Rev. Joel S Ives, Secretary of the Missionary Society of Connecticut, presents an exceedingly interesting article in "The Home Missionary," on early missionary work established by Connecticut Congregationalists.

The society, of which Rev. Mr. Ives is secretary, is the oldest of its kind on the continent, its date of organization being June 19, 1798. The total offerings for home missions, since its organization, have been over four million dollars, and it probably leads all other states to-day, in proportion to population, in the amount contributed for this cause.

Such a record is indeed cause for gratification, and it has all along proved a stimulus to other denominations.

Many of the churches in New Hampshire, Vermont, New York, and farther West, were founded by men sent out as Home Missionaries by Connecticut Congregationalists. And in its early days, as now, the society helped to maintain the weaker churches in its own state.

A work of vast importance now engaging much of the effort of the society is the establishment of churches to minister to the foreign element in our population, which has assumed such an enormous magnitude. It is a work in which, happily, other denominations are taking a strong interest, and well they may, for our whole social fabric requires that these foreigners be made into good Americans, and in no way can it be more effectively accomplished than through the Christian Church.

If experience has proved anything, it has proved that the church whose efforts are extended far beyond its own membership, thereby maintains its own greatest vitality. The church which is too poor—in spirit—to aid in any missionary enterprise, is in danger of self extinction.

Referring to the coal famine, a Washington pastor recently remarked that there were certain principles which the people, and especially the poor, would find it well to observe during the coming winter, "First, plenty of carbohydrates for the stomach; second, plenty of fresh air for the lungs; third, plenty of exercise for the muscles; fourth, plenty of warm clothing and care to economize the heat we already have stored in our bodies." He further said that an easy conscience saved coal for "When people are cheerful they are always warm and when they are gloomy they are apt to be cold and to make everybody else feel chilly. The man who can walk down street on a cold and rainy day with a kindly eye and cheerful expression radiates warmth to every one he meets, but a frowning brow, even on a warm day, will cause every one who sees it to, even unconsciously, give a little shiver."

Much satisfaction is expressed in temperance circles at the decision of the government that no liquor shall be sold in the Samoan possessions of the United States. Shortly after the Navy Department assumed control of the American share of the islands, a license was granted for the sale of liquor at Tuituila but subsequently the naval governor recommended that it be revoked, which was done. Since then, strong pressure has been brought to bear on the Secretary of the Navy to overrule the recommendation of his subordinate and permit the sale of liquor by United States Vice-Consul Blalock, in his hotel at the above named place. Secretary Moody received and carefully considered Mr. Blalock's petition and has finally and definitely refused to permit the sale of liquor in any form, at any place in the Samoan Islands, over which he has jurisdiction.

A unique scheme is being tried this year in a Baltimore Sunday-school. It was started on Rally Day. The members of the congregation were handed programs of the church services, on the back of which was printed in the usual "want-ad" form, "Wanted :Boys and girls to go fishing. Good bait furnished and cash paid for fresh fish. For particulars apply at Eutaw Street Church Sunday-school, between 2:30 and 4 p. m., Sundays. The superintendent subsequently explained the scheme which is as follows: Every pupil will be urged to "fish" for new members. When a new pupil is gained the boy or girl bringing him in will be given a handsome card-board fish on which will be written the name of the new pupil and the little fisherman. At Christmas the fisherman with the longest string of fish will receive an aquarium of genuine gold fish and then the fish will be classified and 10 cents paid for every specimen except jelly-fish, mulletheads and eels. Jelly fish, it should be explained, are those new fish (pupils) who have been present on only one Sunday, mulletheads, those which have been present on two Sundays, and eels those which have slipped out after three Sundays. Concluding his explanation, Mr. Herman said, "Hereafter ye shall be fishers of men."

A number of copies of this issue of the Review will be sent to some of our contemporaries with whom we wish to exchange. We will keep notice of all who respond to this invitation and enter such upon our permanent exchange list. We have a large number of cuts (with articles) which we should be pleased to exchange for other good ones.

The Connecticut Baptist Anniversaries were held at the First Baptist church, Oct. 13, 14 and 15. Seven state Baptist organizations held their respective sessions, closing with the banquet of the Baptist Social Union on Wednesday evening, Oct. 13, in Putnam Phalanx Hall. The meetings were enthusiastic, and largely attended by Baptists from all over the state.

At the meeting of the Conn. Baptist Convention, the resignation of Rev C. A. Piddock, superintendent of missions, was accepted, and Rev. Frank H. Divine was appointed in his place.

The annual convention of the Girl's Friendly Society of the United States, was held in this city, from Oct. 13 to 17. Its sessions were held at the different Episcopal churches and were well attended. In addition to routine business, election of officers, etc., many interesting addresses were given and many social features were enjoyed.

Mr. John Palmer Gavit, whose early journalistic experiences in Hartford about ten years ago including the editing of this paper, at that time called "Young People at Work," has now returned to journalism and literary work at Albany, N. Y. The interval of about eight years has been spent by Mr. Gavit in social settlement work in Chicago, and he has proved himself a marked force along such lines. His training doubtless has well fitted him for some splendid work in literature, and his many old Hartford friends wish him all success in his new field.

BUSINESS AND PLEASURE.

Get your sea food and poultry at E. E. Clark's market, 323 Asylum street. Nothing but the best and freshest are offered for sale there.

"Unless there is a change," said the cook, "I will have to leave you."

'Change!" exclaimed the mistress. "What do you mean?"

"Our union," said the cook, "has declared a boycott on Mrs. Smith in the next block."

"But how does that affect me?"

"She is on your calling list and a sympathetic strike has been declared against all who associate with her." —Chicago Post.

Mr. John E. Wheelock has become proprietor of the restaurant at No. 12 Church street, formerly "Ball's Restaurant." The new manager will make every effort to cater to a good class of trade. His advertisement appears on another page.

Messrs. W. W. Hunt & Co., 24 State street, have opened their sales store for the fall trade and have a splendid line of nursery stock from which to make selections for fall planting.

"Don't you think she is a model mother?"

"Why, her children are little terrors!"

"Yes; but she writes such good papers for our mothers' meetings."

Messrs. Richards and Davis, opticians, have opened an office in the Sage-Allen building, and are well qualified by experience and a full equipment and stock to turn out the best quality of optical work. They guarantee satisfaction and will refund a customer's money if not satisfied.

"Do you approve of women's taking an active part in politics?" asked the idle person.

"Certainly," answered Mr. Meekton. "Let them go ahead. If they want to stay away from home and take chances on a man's walking right in on the best carpet with his muddy boots, that's their lookout, not ours." —Washington Star.

Fur garments of every description are made to order or repaired, by Alfred Williams and Son. It would be well for intending purchasers to anticipate the cold weather rush by making their selections of fur now while the assortment is most complete.

The change of ownership in the Freeman-Church Co., does not involve a change in management, as Mr. Church, who assumes ownership, has been for some time past the manager of the store. Never before has its reputation for dealing in first-class clothing been greater than at present; never before have its patrons been better satisfied than under Mr. Church's management.

AS GOOD AS HIS WORD.

Magistrate (to new policeman) :"Did you notice no suspicious character about the neighborhood?"

New Policeman: "Shure, yer honor I saw but one man, an' I asked him what he was doing there at that time o' night. Sez he, 'I have no business here just now, but I expect to open jewelry store in the vicinity later on. At that I says, 'I wish you success, sor.' "

Magistrate (disgusted) : "Yes, and he did open a jewelry store in the vicinity later on, and stole seventeen watches."

New Policeman (after a pause): ' Begorra, yer honor, the man may have been a thafe, but he was no liar."—Selected.

Attention is called to the liberal offer of Geo. S. Osborn, the florist, who gives free to every one presenting his advertisement a novelty in the flower line. See page 16.

The new proprietor of the Cedar Hill greenhouse, Mr. E. S. Drake, has made extensive improvements and now offers a splendid stock of seasonable flowers.

"Ah, Gwendolynne!" exclaimed the impassioned but somewhat obscure author, "marry me! I cannot live without you. You are the well from which I draw all my inspiration."

The maiden thought long before she framed her reply. "No, Harold," she said, "I cannot marry you and be your well, but I will always be a cistern to you."

Mr. C. N. Reudlinger, whose advertisement appears on another page, is an expert in treating the tree destroying pests, such as the Elm Beetle and San Jose Scale. Just now is an especially desirable time to treat the latter pest and those who wish to preserve their trees should consult with Mr. Ruedlinger.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

HARTFORD UNION NOTES.

Miss Thayer, secretary of the Union, spent the past week in Boston attending the Christian Endeavor Convention. Interesting reports of her trip are anticipated.

The Christian Endeavor Society of the Windsor Avenue Congregational church will entertain the Hartford C. E. Union on Monday afternoon and evening, Oct. 20

Nearly one hundred from this city went on the Christian Endeavor excnrsion to attend the All New England C. E. Convention at Boston. The convention lasted for four days and was a great success. The party from here was so much larger than anticipated, that three extra cars were attached to the train which brought from New Haven, Meriden and Berlin, about one hundred more persons. A special trip was made on Friday to Concord and Lexington and a dinner at the Old Wright Tavern in Concord was enjoyed thoroughly by the party. Most of the Endeavorers from this vicinity passed Saturday sight-seeing in and abont Boston.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS.

(From the Presbyterian C. E. Manual)

Sun. Oct 10. Topic—Self-mastery. I Cor. 9:25; Gal. 5:16-26. (Temperance meeting.)

In preparing for athletic games the contestants submit to severe discipline so as to be in good condition. Should we do less in order to win in Christian life?

We mnst keep our body under control and live for the higher things. A Christian never should be the slave of his bodily appetites and passions.

The true way to get ont from under the mastery of bodily cravings is to let the Holy Spirit guide us. We should live more in the upper story and less in the basement.

Sun. Oct. 26. Topic—Treating a Gracious Invitation Lightly. Matt. 22: 1-10.;

The kingdom of heaven is not in heaven exclusively, merely for those who get there; it comes down to earth and invites men into its blessedness right here.

The kingdom of heaven does not come with a tyrant's sword to crush men into the dust; it comes with invitations to a feast.

Too many make light of the mercy and kindness of God, turning away to their worldly bnsiness and pleasure, instead.

If we reject the kingdom of heaven here, refnsing to yield to the sway of the King, we shall find ourselves shut out of heaven at last.

Snn., Nov. 2. Topic—The Best Gift. I Cor 12: 28-31; 13: 1-13.

It is a privilege to have place and power in a church—to be a pastor, or a teacher, or an elder, or a deacon, or an officer in a young people's Christian Endeavor Society. But there is something "more excellent."

That which we should seek after most earnestly and value above all else is love. To have love is higher rank than to be an eloquent minister or a great philanthropist.

The description of love in I Cor. 13: 4-7 should be studied every day by all Christians until they can say they have their lesson thoroughly learned.

Love is something very practical. It is patient and kind, it envies not, it is hnmble, it does not seek its own, it is not provoked. How far are you along in the lesson?

Sun., Nov. 9. Topic—God's Covenant and Onrs. Ex. 24:3-8.

Every divine promise is God's offer to make covenant with us, for every promise is conditioned upon our faithfulness.

We should gladly consent to God's covenants, saying, "All the words which Jehovah hath spoken will we do."

The trouble too often with us is that we easily and fluently make covenant with God, promising to do his will and then forget our promises when the time comes for keeping them.

We should always remember our covenants with God. We promise to be faithful and true and to obey God's commandments. How do we keep our vows?

What if God forgot his part of the covenant as we do? What would become of us?

No one is ever beaten unless he is discouraged.

The sure way to miss success is to miss the opportunity.

YOUNG WOMEN'S BRANCH WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN ASS'N.

The patronage of the lunch room is steadily increasing. We are adding to onr space for serving.

We have a Bible hour on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, to which all who are interested are cordially invited. This service is held at the Boarding Home, No. 58 Chnrch street.

There is some unavoidable delay about opening onr classes, dne in part, to delay in applying for membership. We hope all interested will apply at once. We are forming classes in general history, literature, physical cultnre and cooking and are making an effort to form classes in attendance on the sick, millinery and dressmaking.

FOR OFFICERS.

Asking for Suggestions—The officers of a society shonld know a society's condition much better than any individual member can know it. Bnt different members will know certain things that the officers might never learn, and wise leaders will seek the co-operation and help of each person. Especially at the beginning of a term of service the president would do well to invite each member of the society to hand to him suggestions as to points in the work that need gnarding or strengthening and hints of new methods that might be nsefnl. It will not be at all strange if some of the suggestions are exactly the opposite of others, but it will be more strange if among them there is not much of real valne.—C. E. World.

FOR SUNDAY-SCHOOL COMMITTEES.

A "Drop-in" Class.—Where there are a nnmber of transient attendants on the Snnday-school, it might be well for the Snnday-school committee, with the hearty consent and co-operation of the superintendent, to organize a "drop-in" class, into which any one may feel free to go for a Sunday. The title is taking, and if announced from the pulpit would in itself draw many. —C. E. World.

It is an interesting fact, that the Goodyear Rapid Stitching Machine can put a sole on a shoe much better than it can be done by hand and at a lower price. The only machine of the kind in Hartford is owned and operated by Mr. E. M. Webb, 442 Asylnm street, whose advertisement appears on another page.

Aiming high does not mean firing in the air. Try to hit something.

ADDITIONAL CHURCHES.

TRINITY CHURCH.

The annual convention of the Conn. Sunday School Auxiliary of Hartford Archdeaconry, will be held in this church, Monday, Oct. 20. A very interesting program has been arranged and printed.

The national convention of Girls' Friendly Societies, convening in this city during the week of Oct. 13, will also hold a service and meeting in this church.

The Sunday-school calendar has been distributed among the scholars and is a great improvement in both arrangement and appearance over last year's first attempt. This year the heading is a copy of Hoffmann's "Christ in the Temple."

A number of new blackboards have been added to our equipment, and are for the classes using the note book and lecture system of lessons.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society met last week and organized for the years work, which will begin by preparing a box of hospital supplies for a western mining district.

The Girls Friendly Society holds its regular meeting on Monday evenings, at 7 p. m.

Mr. Phillips, a student at Trinity College, has been added to our corps of Sunday-school workers.

The Rector's Bible Class resumed meeting Sunday, Oct. 5th, at 3:30 p. m.

NORTH METHODIST.

Revival services will be held the last two weeks of October. Rev. Dr. Partington will be the special preacher.

Rally Day exercises of the Sunday-school were largely attended. The day was stormy, but 65 per cent of the total membership was present. A fine program was rendered and Mr. Hall, of West Hartford, made the address.

Mrs. Howell has returned from her vacation and has resumed the teaching of the Bible class.

FIRST BAPTIST.

Anniversaries and conventions of seven different Baptist organizations were held with our church on October 13, 14, and 15. The gathering was a large and important one and proved very successful in every way.

At a recent Thursday evening prayer meeting. Mr. Antonio DeRossa, an Italian, related his Christian experience. On the following Sunday Mr. DeRossa was baptized by Mr. Rocca, who is in charge of the Italian mission held in our church, under the auspices of the Hartford Baptist Union. One of the largest audiences of Italians ever gathered under Protestant auspices in Hartford, witnessed the ceremony.

Our pastor returned about Oct. 1, from a three months' vacation. An enjoyable social and reception was tendered him Tuesday evening, Oct. 7.

Sunday, Oct. 12, our annual Rally Day for the Sunday-school was held. A special program was followed in which all were greatly interested. The attendance was very large considering the stormy weather.

Our mother's meetings were resumed in September.

SOUTH CONGREGATIONAL.

A pleasant social entertainment was given by the Pastor's Aid Society on the evening of Oct. 10, and was much enjoyed by the young people.

Miss Mary F. Andrus, who died recently, was a life-long member of this church. Not only in name was she a Christian, but in personality and character, essentially one. She was of cheerful disposition and appreciative of all that is best in life. A constant attendant and willing worker in this church, she will be much missed by her friends here.

FINANCIAL PUZZLE.

Here is a problem in finance, which is submitted by one of those curious girls who do not find enough problems to puzzle about in the school arithmetic:

"A banker, sauntering home, saw a $5 bill lying on the curbstone. Of course, he picked it up and took the number, in order to find the owner. While at home, his wife remarked that the butcher had sent in a bill for meat amounting to $5. The only money he had with him was the money he had found, which he gave her, and she paid the butcher. The butcher paid it to a farmer for a calf, and the farmer paid it to the merchant, who, in turn, paid it to his wife's dressmaker, and she, owing the banker a note of $5, went to the banker and paid her note. The banker recognized the bill as the one he had found, and which, up to that time, had settled $25 of debt. On a more careful consideration, he found the bill counterfeit. What has been lost in this transaction, and by whom, if anybody?"—Little Chronicle.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL RAILROAD.

During the early days of the Metropolitan elevated railroad in New York the trains did not run on Sunday. One Sunday morning, ignorant of this fact, a traveler rushed up to the stairway, only to find the gates closed. Noticing the letters, "M. E. R. R." over the entrance, he said in disgusted tones, "I might know a Methodist Episcopal railroad wouldn't run on Sundays."

EXCHANGING COMPLIMENTS.

The following little accident occurred in New York City, on Fifth avenue.

Two men, both "star-gazing" were seen wending their way toward each other, one up the avenue, the other down. By some fatality they collided, with the sad result that one sat down in the gutter, the other went to the wall. Our friend in the gutter picked up his shattered bones, and angrily addressed the other man thus:

"Why can't you look where you're going, sir?"

"Why can't you go where you're looking, sir?" retorted the other — Selected.

Oh, but you can't make men moral or sober by an act of legislature! No; nor can you make men healthy by an act of legislature; therefore you should not make any sanitary laws. No more can you make men honest by an act of legislature, therefore repeal your law against theft; and tear down your jails and penitentiaries.—Am. Issue.

I hold not with the pessimist that all things are ill, nor with the optimist that all things are well. All things are not ill and all things are not well, but all things shall be well, because this is God's world.—Robert Browning.

In the early days of the Methodist Church in England, there lived an eccentric preacher named William Grimshaw. Often if one of his parish got in the habit of absenting himself from church, he would go and preach in the street before his house. "If you won't come to hear me at church," he would say, "you shall hear me at home."

Attention is called to the advertisement of the Hartford Charcoal Co., on another page. This concern placed on the market a few years ago, in a convenient form, a superior hard wood charcoal, which has steadily increased in public favor as the ever increasing demand testifies. At this time when coal is so high, it is more than ever in demand, and it saves a great many dollars to every housekeeper who uses it.

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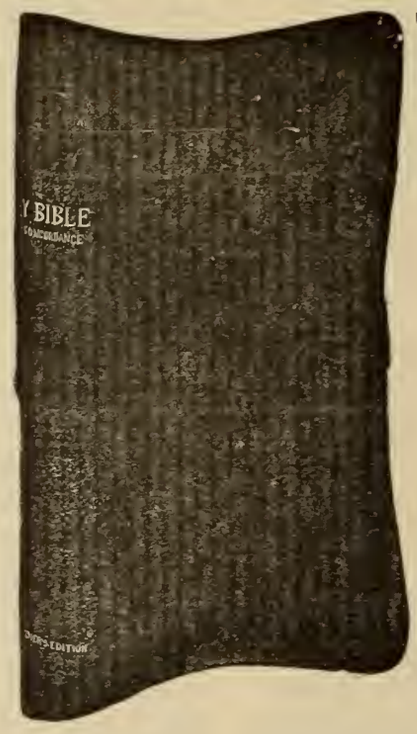

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Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The opening of the season's work at the Young Men's Christian Association promises to be large in every department. Especial interest is being manifested in the Boys' Department. The Bible Study Club commenced work Sunday, Oct. 12, with an enrollment of 125 boys. The club is divided into seven sections, each with a separate instructor. The teachers are all specialists in their line and have been secured after a very careful search for the best available men. The courses of study include a Life of Christ, a Life of Paul, and Bible Characters, illustrated by chemical experiments. The gospel services for boys are growing in interest and power every week. This service is held in Fraternity Hall every Sunday at 3 o'clock. The speakers secured for the men's meetings address the boys one hour previous to the larger service.

The Hillyer Institute evening classes commenced work Monday, Oct. 13. It is expected that the enrollment will be larger than last year. Renewed activity is being shown in the Physical Department. All the classes are in full operation. Business and professional men will find the class on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, from 5 to 6 p. m., of special help and value. Examinations will be given by the Physical Director who will prescribe special exercises for each individual and will give valuable counsel in the taking of the same.

Th mass meetings for men only to be held in the Hartford Opera House will begin with the first Sunday of November. A strong corps of speakers has been secured to address these meetings. The first number on the Star Entertainment Course will be given in Unity Hall on Monday, Oct. 20, by the Philharmonic Sextette. This Sextette is composed of leading soloists from the Boston Symphony Orchestra. Mrs. Viola Waterhouse, the famous soprano, takes part in the program.

A large number of new members have come in during the last few weeks.

THE OPEN HEARTH.

A striking feature of the work at the Open Hearth during the past month has been the unusual demand made upon the wood yard. There has been no lack of employment for all the men who were ready to earn bed and board by helping to supply the excessive demand.

This month, too, has seen much activity in the building on the west side of the grounds which was formerly the barn and whose lower story has been transformed into a mission room. There have already been several services in the new quarters which were opened for the first time on the evening of Oct. 11. The work of changing the stable into a mission room, involving, as it did, many difficult steps and various kinds of work, has been done almost exclusively by the men who have been for a greater or less time in the Open Hearth. The seating capacity is greater than it was at the old mission on Front street and the large attendance on the first Sunday morning after the opening was most encouraging and indeed suggests the possibility that there will be more people than chairs during the winter months.

The work of the Gospel Wagon is being followed up in the vicinity of Charter Oak Park by cottage prayer meetings each Friday evening. The attendance has been good though there has been some opposition.

A similar, though more extended continuation of the Gospel Wagon work, at Pope Park, has been planned for the coming winter. It is possible that there will be some arrangement made by which the boys and young men can form clubs for several evenings in the week, and meet for reading and games, in addition to the religious services which are to be held. This matter will rest largely in the hands of the young men and the boys themselves.

The two evenig services which have been omitted each week during the summer months will be resumed next week.

CITY MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Morgan Street Sunday-school held its Rally Day service on Sunday, Sept. 28. There were recitations and special singing by the scholars and a very helpful address by Mr. Noel H. Jacks of the Y .M. C. A. The attendance was good and the interest very perceptible.

On Oct. 5, Mr. Burton Twichell was installed as Associate Superintendent of the Sunday-school. Mr. John T. Robinson, who has served the school so faithfully for a number of years, feels the need of more assistance in the work, and the teachers and officers feel that they are most fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Twichell to aid.

NIGHT AND DAY SCHOOL AT MORSE COLLEGE.

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Principal E. H. Morse.

All vouchers and outgoing papers are printed from expensive script engravings. The bookkeeping blanks are the same as those used in the best business offices and all the commercial and legal forms are written up and used by the students in real transactions. Besides this business practice and bookkeeping, instruction is given in arithmetic, spelling, penmanship shorthand, typewriting, English, mimeographing and many other business subjects.

One particular advantage of the Morse Night School is the fact that there are no classes and no embarrassing recitations. Pupils are given individual instruction, so that one can advance as rapidly as possible and no one knows what the pupil is doing or how he or she is getting along, but the teacher himself.

The sessions are held three evenings per week, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, from 7:15 to 9:15, at 370 Asylum street, corner High.

ADDITIONAL CHURCHES.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

The Daughters of the King and the Girls' Friendly Society are meeting regularly at the Memorial House. The rector will give instruction on the book of the Acts of the Apostles, at the regular meetings of the Daughters of the King on Monday evenings. The Girl's Friendly Society was greatly interested in the State Convention which was held in Hartford this week.

The Men's League will have a business meeting, Oct. 30, for the election of officers for the coming season. An outline of the winter s program will be given at that time.

A new tenor bell for the chime of bells of the church has been added lately. It is the gift of Mrs. Elizabeth Colt. The chime is now complete, and the music from it will be richer and sweeter for the addition of this new member.

A service at the Old People's Home on Jefferson street, in their new chapel, was conducted by the rector on Sunday, Sept. 28. Members of the Good Shepherd choir rendered the musical part of the service under the direction of Mrs. Kinney.

The Church Home fair at Jewell Hall, on Wednesday, Sept. 9, enlisted a number of our church members in its management and work.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

Death has again visited us. this time taking one of our younger members, Mrs. Frances Kinsman, who died Sept. 30, of consumption. She had suffered much, and for many months, and we could but expect the inevitable. Having musical ability she was of special use to us before her health failed.

Resolutions of sympathy as follows, were adopted by the Loyal Workers Society of which she was a member: "Whereas, death has entered our ranks and removed from our midst our dear sister Frances Andrews Kinsman,

Therefore, be it resolved that we, as a society, deeply feel the loss which we have felt, and also express our sincere and heartfelt sympathy for those who were connected with her by the ties of family and love, and earnestly pray that the special blessing of God may rest upon them, giving comfort and strength in this hour of bereavement."

WETHERSFIELD BAPTIST.

Our recent pastor, Rev. Mr. Elsden, is removing to California for his health, hoping the climate will be beneficial. Rev. Mr. Connell, of Hartford, is now the acting pastor and if the church members respond to his earnest endeavor there should a revival of God's work in this church. Already the heavy hearts feel the uplifting of the weight of depression and a more hopeful feeling prevails. The Sabbath-school teachers remain faithful.

UNITY CHURCH.

On Oct. 5, Mr. Waite gave a very interesting sermon on "The Development of Trusts." The day being stormy he was induced to repeat it on the following Sunday, and it is to be printed in the Hartford Times.

On Sept. 8, Mr. Ira Mather assumed charge of the Sunday-school. A vote of thanks was given Mrs. Baker for her eight years' service. The "Unity Services and Songs" were introduced, to be used in connection with the present book, which has been used for eight years.

WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

The last meeting of this Union, held Oct. 7, was of unusual interest, "High License" being the subject. The fact that the W. C. T.U. as an organization, is opposed to, and refused to endorse, license, high or low, was made prominent. All who expressed themselves were opposed to license in any form, one member being of the opinion that of the two evils, high license would be preferable. Mrs. J. N. Spencer presented an excellent paper giving testimony of the highest authority against high license as a temperance measure and its tendency to make saloons respectable, without decreasing drunkenness. ' Of two evils choose neither," was the ringing verdict expressed. The State convention began its session in New Haven on Wednesday, Oct. 8, closing the 10th.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER.

The services in the several branches of the church work have been resumed with much interest and the winter bids fair to be successful in every way.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society held the first of its fortnightly sewing circles and suppers Wednesday afternoon and evening, Oct. 8, and the attendance was very good.

Friday evening, Oct. 10, the Young People's Guild held a social in the vestry for the purpose of interesting the younger people of the Sunday-school in the work of the Guild. The idea proved a good one, as not only on the night of the social did the young people come out in good numbers, but at the next Sunday evening meeting the attendance was very materially increased.

The social committee of the Guild has in preparation an entertainment consisting of local talent, both musical and literary, to be given in the vestry, Oct. 29.

On Sunday evening, Oct. 19, services will be resumed in the church similar to those held last winter. Special music will be furnished and the pastor, Dr. Adams, will give a short talk. The services proved a very interesting and helpful feature in the church work last year and it is hoped that they will prove even more so during the coming winter.

Ample notice of these services will be given in the daily papers.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society is preparing for a fair to be given in the first part of December.

ADDITIONAL BOOK NOTICES.

Eternalism. By Orlando J. Smith. 321 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Houghton, Mifflin & Co. Price $1.50.

This is an excellent exposition of theories on the meaning of existence, a study of the purposes of living, and a reasonable attempt to prove a future life by scientific authority.

This latter thing, however, does not seem yet to have done, nor can Divine purpose, as yet, be certain to us, though reasoning argument can only serve to bring us closer to the truth. As to the belief of Mr. Smith that instinct tells us of another life, of our scul, and of a Supreme Power, most people of a religious thinking will agree, though Mr. Andrew Lang recently attempted from a well founded view-point to prove that, not instinct, but training, developed such beliefs.

At any rate the book should be of interest to every thinker and as it is not technically worded, it may be easily understood by the average reader.

The New Christians. By Percy White. 468 pages, 12 mo. New York: Federal Book Company. Price 50 cents.

The story of some converts to, or victims of,—whichever is preferred—the "New Christianity," called Christian Science. It is a cleverly written novel and contains characters of unique and permanent interest. Lady Elsmuir will be noted especially for her personality, which may be caricature of a more noted living woman. Whether one approves of the development of the "New Christians," will depend much upon the point of view.

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Artistically the October number of Scribner's is made notable by a cover in color from a design by Mills Thompson; a spirited drawing by Yohn used as a frontispiece and printed with a tint; and a series of four Western tpyes by Frederic Remington in his most vigorous manner, depicting the Cow-Boy, the Scout, the Cossack Post and the Half-Breed. The original colors are beautifully reproduced. McCarter, James Preston and George Wright are other artists here represented.

Miss Alice Caldwell Hegan, the author of that successful little story, Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch," has written her second book, and it is to appear serially in The Century. She calls it 'Lovey Mary," and the many admirers of Mrs. Wiggs will be glad to know that this optimistic character reappears in the new story.

The October Delineator offers many valuable suggestions to women who would like employment at home and notes several instances in which a competence has been acquired by women who have followed such unusual lines of work as marking linen, sewing on skirt braids, making plum pudding, Saratoga chips, paper dolls, favors for weddings, etc.

Sam Loyd, the great puzzle expert, has been engaged by Success to furnish its readers, throughout the winter months, with a new and interesting series of puzzles based on Chinese Tangrams.

McClure's Magazine for October contains an interesting article entitled, "What Labor Has Learned." It is particularly timely, as it deals with the progress and the accompanying vicissitudes of labor unions. Cyrus Townsend Brady contriubtes to the number as does also Miss Clara Morris, who writes about the great actress Rachel Felix.

Chiquita. By Merrill Tileston. 306 pages, 12 mo. Chicago: The Merrill Company. Price $1.50.

This is the romance of a Ute chief's daughter, "Chiquita," who wished to be educated as her white sisters were. A half interest in a valuable gold mine is offered a young Yankee to superintend her education. He accepts the offer and Chiquita goes to school and college and graduates with honors.

Her experiences, however, including an unfortunate love affair, are such that she is impelled to abandon her purpose of leading a civilized life, so she goes back to her own people to end her days.

Life at West Point. By H. Irving Hancock. 260 pages, 12 mo. New York: G. P. Putnams' Sons. Price $1.40.

Any young man seeking information about, or hoping for an appointment to, West Point Military Academy, will find himself thoroughly posted on nearly every requirement, custom and phase of life there, when he has read through this volume.

It was written as a labor of love by one who made himself thoroughly conversant with life at the Academy. That his words are authoritative one may be confident when it is known that the book is prefaced by the endorsement of Colonel A. L. Mills, Superintendent of the academy.

Aside from its practical one, there is a human and general interest to the book which will appeal to everyone. The book contains a large number of very interesting reproductions from photograhs, one of which is shown on this page.

INFANTRY SKIRMISH DRILL.

From "Life at West Point." G. P. Putnams' Sons, Publishers.

Bondman Free, the Remarkable Adventures of a Gentleman Convict. By John Oxenham, 342 pages, 12 mo. New York: Federal Book Company. Price 50 cents.

This book is as near a fascinating romance as one often finds in contemporary literature. It tells of a bank cashier who needed money to ease the last days of his dying wife. He was refused an advance on his salary so "borrowed" the sum needed, taking also a package of negotiable bonds to protect himself from immediate prosecution. After his wife's death he surrendered himself and was sentenced to imprisonment. Upon his release from prison, began the "remarkable adventures of a gentleman-convict."

Manual of Astronomy. By Professor Charles A. Young. 611 pages, 8 vo. Boston: Ginn & Co. Price $2.25.

Professor Young of Princeton University is fully qualified to respond, as he does, to the pressing demand from many quarters for a new and up-to-date text book on astronomy.

The author is responsible for two successful books, "Elements of Astronomy" and "General Astronomy." To some extent the material in these earlier volumes is used in the present work, but the great necessity has been for revision, and for additions, so that the present work is to all intents and purposes, a new one. It is illustrated copiously, both by diagrams and from photographs of astronomical subjects. It is handsomely and substantially bound and in every respect a credit to its publishers, as well as its author.

In Quest of the Quaint. By Elia B. Chase. 427 pages, 12 mo. Philadelphia: Ferris & Leach. Price $1.50.

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Brenda's Cousin at Radcliffe. By Helen Leah Reed. 318 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Little, Brown & Co. Price $1.20.

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Tower or Throne. By Harriet T. Comstock. 274 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Little, Brown & Co. Price $1.50.

The period between Henry VIII. and Anne Boleyn, and the death of Mary, included the girlhood days of Queen Elizabeth. It is of this part of her life that Mrs. Comstock constructs this romantic story. It is of a life full of picturesque features and the author takes full advantage of the dramatic possibilities.

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Concerning Polly. By Helen M. Winslow. 359 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Lee and Shepard. Price $1.50.

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From "West Point in the Early Sixties." The Pafraets Book Co., Publishers.

The Wooing of Wistaria. By Onoto Watanna. 388 pages, 12 mo. New York: Harper & Brothers. Price $1.50.

The Lady Wistaria in her youth is taken from her home to be educated and trained. She comes to love a young Japanese nobleman, when her father takes her back to her childhood home, where, to her great surprise, she learns that he is living among an outcast and disgraced body of people, of which she also is a member. This is a tragic beginning for a novel and yet it fortunately does not entirely overshadow what develops as a love story of beauty and naturalness.

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West Point in the Early "Sixties." By John Pearson Farley, U .S. Army. 200 pages, 12 mo. Troy, N. Y. Pafraets Book Company. Price $2.00.

"With incidents of the War" is the extra title given this work and, save that some of these incidents appear quite irrelevant, there is no unfavorable criticism of the book, for it is well written and the writer shows an understanding of, and familiarity with his subject.

It is a book that will appeal especially to those interested in army life, but it should appeal with force to everyone interested in the development of our country.

The volume is copiously illustrated with reproductions from photographs and as these are significant and not familiar to the average reader, they add not a little to the value of the work. One of them we reproduce on this page through the courtesy of the publishers.

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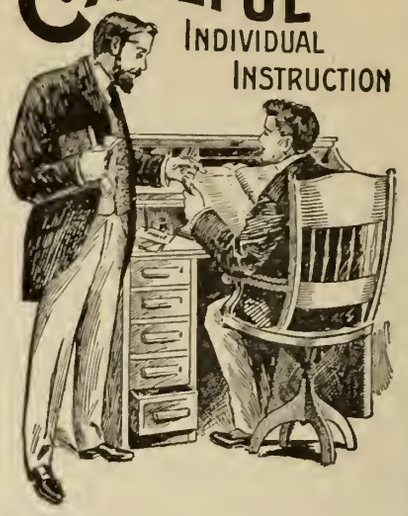

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THANKSGIVING.

Sweet was the song of the robin,
Blithe was the hum of the bee,
In the day when the drift of the blossom
Was light as the foam of the sea,
Then deeply was cloven the furrow,
And gayly they scattered the seed,
Who trusted that rainfall and sunshine
Would surely be given at need.

The robin hath flown to the tropic,
The honeybee flitteth no more,
The reaper hath garnered the harvest,
And the fruit and the nuts are in store.
The flame hath died out on the maples,
We tread on the loose-lying leaves,
And the corn that was steady and stalwart
Is gathered and bound into sheaves.

And sweeter than music of springtime,
And fuller of jubilant mirth,
Are the strongtided chorals o'erflowing
From hearts where thanksgiving hath birth.
The songs of the home and the altar,
The gladness of children at play,
And the dear love of households united
Are blending in praises to-day.

For pasture lands folded with beauty,
For plenty that burdened the vale,
For the wealth of the teeming abundance,
And the promise too royal to fail,
We lift to the Maker our anthems,
But none the less cheerily come
To thank Him for bloom and fruition,
And the happiness crowning the home.

Oh, the peace on the brow of the father,
The light in the mother's clear eyes,
The lilt in the voices of maidens
Who walk under dream-curtained skies,
The dance in the feet of the wee ones,
And the sparkle and shine in the air!
The year has no time like Thanksgiving—
A truce to our fretting and care.

Sweet was the song of the robin,
Blithe was the hum of the bee,
In the day when the drift of the blossom
Was light as the foam of the sea,
But sweeter the silence of autumn,
That maketh a space for the strain
Of the joyance of home, when the harvest
Is gathered from hillside and plain.

—Anon.

THE INKSTAND THAT LUTHER THREW AT THE DEVIL.

By Rev. James A. MacMillan.

A vivid and dramatic story is handed down to us of an incident in the life of the great reformer. It is said that when he was in temporary exile in Wartburg Castle, the Evil One came and tormented him with unbearable noises. Luther defied his adversary and retired to rest, commending his soul to Christ. The legend says that finally when Satan exceeded all bounds, Luther threw his inkstand at him, whereupon the tormentor went away and did not return. The spot is still shown, we are told, where the inkstand struck the wall. It is gratifying to learn that this bold attack upon his foe secured relief for the reformer, but it is sad to realize that he did not make a complete end of his persecutor, for the old enemy still lives and is much in evidence even in this day. It might be interesting to speculate as to what the result would have been had the missile struck its Satanic target instead of missing that mark and hitting the wall. It is easy to find explanations of this peculiar incident. It is suggested, for instance, that Luther had been under severe mental strain; brain and nerves were weary. Add to this the fact that he had eaten heartily of hazlenuts, and we need not wonder that he had a terrible nightmare. Nevertheless the impression the experience made upon him was intensely realistic and it is also a truth that all men have to contend with the Evil One in some form, even though his approval be in a mode more subtle and less materialistic than in our story.

Does not Luther's method of combat in this encounter typify a tendency, always more or less existent, to strike at evil in bodily form and attempt its banishment by physical rather than moral means? Impulsive Peter would save his master by smiting His captors with the sword, but the supremacy of Jesus was not thus to be established. "Put up again thy sword into his place," is our Lord's command. Pagan persecutors sought to exterminate what they deemed the evil of the early Christianity by slaughtering its followers, with the result that the blood of the martyrs became the seed of the church. Papal tyranny inflicted unspeakable horrors in the name of Christ and true religion, but the spirit of religious freedom it tried to destroy is to-day a living tree whose leaves are for the healing of the nations and whose fruits are in all the

earth. Calvin by the burning of Servetus as a heretic stained his own otherwise great name and violated the fundamental principle of the reformation, the right of every man to form his own judgment of the contents and meaning of the Holy Scriptures. Sternly righteous Puritans saw in the so-called witches incarnations of the devil and put them to death All of these examples illustrate the tendency to fight what was considered error and evil with material force. How contrary this is to the spirit of the Christ who said to Pilate, "If my kingdom were of this world, then would my disciples fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews; but now is my kingdom not from hence." His kingdom was of the truth, and its Founder, when under the shadow of the cross, foresaw the certain triumph of the spiritual forces which were to conquer the world.

The present day more than any previous one is winning victories in the physical world. The spirit of Science and of business, never so powerful as now, tends to exalt the material and obscure the spiritual. Is he, then, an unpractical dreamer who proposes the conquest of this intensely practical age by invisible spiritual forces? Quite the contrary.

Two things, however, are to be borne in mind. One is the right of the Christian state to use material force under certain conditions. There are circumstances, to be properly discriminated, when war is justifiable, when the rifle of the militia and the club of the policeman may be a dire necessity. Nor are Christian men in their capacity as members of the state supinely to submit to the flagrant aggressions of violators of the law. There is a time to knock out prize-fighters who attempt their brutal exhibitions under the guise of sparring for points, a time to demand the enforcement of the law against gamblers and law-breaking saloon-keepers. Ethics and religion require that the government shall preserve its own life and the welfare of its subjects by the application of physical force where moral influence falls short.

The other point to be remembered is that the spiritual forces of Christianity, of themselves invisible, are to be embodied in the lives of men and the institutions of human society. "By their fruits ye shall now them." While our Lord's kingdom is not of this world, it is to permeate and dominate all the kingdoms of this world. His salt is to preserve, His leaven work through, all the interests of our race. Truth, righteousness, faith, hope, love, exhibited in the Church of Christ and in the lives of his followers, are gradually and completely to reign in human affairs. Institutions of earning, hospitals, houses of rescue, homes for the aged and the orphan, all sweet charities revealing the Divine Fatherhood through the human brotherhood, are to make real to men the presence and power of the unseen. Governments are to be founded upon Christian principles, business is more and more to have a place for the practice of the Golden Rule, and social life is to be increasingly ennobled by the spirit of fellowship and service.

It would be unjust to Luther to leave the impression that his warfare against wrong was in general characterized by the resort to physical force which we have found symbolized in the incident to which reference has been made. Valiant opponent of corruption and tyranny that he was, he steadfastly opposed any appeal to the sword on behalf of the Gospel. He made mighty use of spiritual instruments. Was it into this same inkstand he dipped his pen when he wrote the immortal theses that began the Reformation or, those stirring hymns which fired the heart of Germany, or those proclamations of justification by faith which vitalized modern Christendom? Ten thousand times more effective for the overthrow of evil was this promulgation of truth than the hurling of innumerable instands at some corporeal devil.

There is a good deal in the inkstand throwing method that appeals to human nature to-day. The air is full of flying ink-pots of literary venom flung at real or imaginary incarnations of wrong. It would be a popular and comparatively easy task to exterminate sin could it be done by physical violence. If the drink curse could be cured by smashing saloon fixtures or vice eradicated by sacking the haunts of its devotees, a host could soon be secured sufficient to clean out all the barrooms and tenderloins in our communities. But when all that had been done the snake would be only scotched, not killed. Wise methods of reform pay due attention to outward conditions and environment and reduce to the minimum temptations to evil, but still recognize the fact that the individual heart must be made clean and the inward man reinforced by a power from on high. Society is helpless and hopeless without the educating and spiritualizing influence of the Church of God. The victory is to be won by the use of "weapons that are not carnal but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds; casting down imaginations and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God," and not by firing human missiles or, like St. Dunstan, seizing troublesome devils by the nose with redhot tongs.

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ship touched Brooklyn. The faces not only are bronzed, bright and jolly, but of a fine order of intelligence. Many of the men come from good country stock which has been refined and trained by travel and discipline. Having registered for their rooms for the night, swarms of them pass across the

THE MARBLE RECEPTION HALL.

Always crowded when a battleship comes in.

marble reception hall to the neat restaurant, joining the throng already seated at supper and enjoying the luxury (to them) of fine linen and good service. The click of billiard balls and an Aeolian piano playing the latest popular airs are heard. Beyond the game room is a bright room with broad fireplace, furnished with long correspondence tables, with pens, paper and ink supplied in abundance. The number of letters being written by blue jackets on the correspondence paper with the little red flag, and the freuent trips to Uncle Sam's letter box in the reception room, indicate that this combination of facilities is resulting in the gladdening of many hearts all over the land with letters from the "boy" in the navy. This busy scene before us is not an unusual one, for, upon glancing over the register during a lull in the registry, we are surprised at the totals indicating each day's business: 113, 156, 218, 227, 195, 130, 236, 228—this is the way they run on the list on the last used pages of the big book. Turning back to August we notice that during this vacation month with the fleet away attending to the mock war, there remained in the yard but a single vessel, the "Hartford," besides the receiving ship "Columbia." Notwithstanding this fact, a little figuring revealed to us the average of 75 beds per night for the month, and for the three months of June, July and August, an average of 86 per night.

While studying the register, an interesting conversation has been going on between a big sailor with three red stripes and an eagle on his sleeve, and the man behind the desk, in which the words "allotment," "paymaster," safe keeping" were frequently used, ending with the man leaving with the clerk a big roll of bills and signing his name on a card evidently prepared for the purpose. From the clerk who was himself once a sailor, we learned some interesting facts about "allotments." It seems that a sailor can "allot" a certain part of his wages, if he so desires; that is, he may have any amount up to a certain percentage of his salary sent each month to any specified individual. So much confidence is placed in the Naval Association that the monthly check from the pay director of the Navy to the secretary of the Association to cover the various allotments amounts to over $3000. This is placed on interest at the bank. This system is teaching the men to save and enables them to draw their money whenever desired without the despised "red tape." Over $21000 has been hand three months in these allotments and for safe keeping.

Noticing a sailor carrying a long, peculiar shaped bundle on his shoulder we followed him to the floor below and there found that it had been placed in storage in a large room, full of compartments already well filled with these bundles. The man in charge informed us that these were sailors' hammocks, and bags containing their clothing and numerous small, square, well-built boxes termed "ditty boxes" in which the sailors keep all kinds of small articles on board ship. Adjoining this room was another one containing nearly 500 lockers, and, although the building was dedicated on May 15th, these are already nearly all taken and used by sailors, some of whom are "at the ends of the earth," for storing their clothing and belongings. Glancing into the plunge bathroom, where were several sailors enjoying a swim, we descended to watch a spirited game of bowling between picked teams from the "Massachusetts" and "Kearsarge." After enjoying this animated scene and watching the shooting in the rifle range adjoining, we took the elevator and went to the seventh floor. Here we found the blue again in evidence seated around small tables on the brilliantly lighted roof garden. At the further end of the building a completely equipped Troy laundry is placed and doing a rapidly growing business in bundle work for sailors as well as turning out the innumerable sheets, towels, pillow cases, etc., which roll in daily in papier-mache carts from the various floors of the bedroom system. These bedrooms, which occupy the 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th floors, are 8x10 feet in size, and are neatly and comfortably furnished,

A ROOF GARDEN SCENE.

Sailors do not always prefer evil to good, when the good is available and attractive, as it is in the Naval Association

THE BROOKLYN NAVAL BRANCH BUILDING.
The Gift of Miss Gould.

light and well ventilated. The only difficulty in connection with them is there are not enough of them. When planning the building it was thought the provision of 201 separate sleeping rooms and four dormitories accommodating about 230 men would be ample for years of growth. As an illustration of how popular the building is, we were shown a pile of air mattresses which are inflated with a foot pump and thrown down in hallways, on tables and other available places to accommodate the overflow. Even with these, the records show nights when the secretaries were compelled to reluctantly announce that everything was taken, but that those who cared to do so could sleep on chairs and the floors.

Some of the reasons of this splendid use of the building are obvious. The attitude of the sailors toward the Association shows that they consider it their own, and take a practical interest in it. A captain of the maintop, speaking of some sailors who had misunderstood the building and were prejudiced, said, "They must not speak against our Association; it hurts me."

"Who are all these men, and why are they here?" was asked of the secretary. He replied, pointing out individual groups of men who were in conversation about the reception hall. "The man standing by the fountain is one of the ship's company, and can get out on a general pass, and has a room by the week, staying with us regularly while his ship is in the yard. The chief yeoman registering at the counter comes out usually three nights each week, and stays over Sunday. Three of the group at the restaurant door are on seven-day leave, and make their headquarters at the building during that time. Some of the men will come out Saturday night on forty-hour liberty and spend practically all this liberty time in the building.

Upon inquiring about the religious work of the Association, I learned that a men's meeting had been conducted on Sunday afternoons all summer, and Bible classes are planned for the winter. It was added, however, that the best work has been in the personal influence with men as is well illustrated by private interviews with men which the secretaries frequently have. It is here that the men take a stand and make the beginning of the new life.—Association Men.

There is a steady increase in the number of places expressly licensed for the sale of intoxicating drinks. In the comparatively quiet town and village, the traffic of the saloon is confessedly bringing in its train disturbance to domestic peace, injury to local business interests, and poverty to once thrifty and prosperous homes. But in no place is the injurious influence of the saloon a more potent factor than in the city, and it is the city saloon which swells the annual expenditure for liquor to $1,220,000,000. It is for our governments, civil and ecclesiastic, to say how long a premium shall be placed upon the city saloon.—Ballington Booth.

THE AMUSEMENT ROOM, BROOKLYN NAVAL BRANCH.
This building is winning the attendance of the sailors and cutting out the saloon business near the Yard.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The Young Men's Christian Association is rejoicing in a very active and aggressive work during these fall months. There has been a most decided advance in registration and receipts in the Hillyer Institute evening classes, in the gmnasium classes and in the boy's department and in the general membership.

The mass meeting for men only in the Hartford Opera House are now under way. The list of speakers and topics for the winter is as follows:

Nov. 16, Rev. B. L. Whitman, L. L. D., "Living in a World That Moves." Nov. 23, C. A. Dorman, M. D., "Secret Sins of Men." Nov. 30, Mr. J. L. Garvin, "An Unaimed Arrow." Dec. 7, Lyman Beecher Sperry, M. D., "Male and Female, or the Significance of Sex." Dec. 14, Rev. J. E. Johnson, "Wooden Men." Dec. 21, Rev. C. H. Mead, D. D., "Samson's Riddle." Dec. 28, Rev. G. W. Wilson, (topic to be announced). Jan. 4, S. J. McPherson D.D., (topic to be announced). Jan. 11, Mrs. Mary Church Terrell, "The Bright Side of a Dark Subject." Jan. 18, Mr. E. T. Bates, an illustrated Song Service. Jan. 25, Rev. C. A. Barbour, D.D., "The Greatest Battle.' Feb. 1, Mr. J. W. Gangloff, "A Humorist's Sunday Talk to Men." Feb. 8, Rev. Rockwell Harmon Potter, "Abraham Lincoln, Liberator and Leader." Feb. 15, Chancellor Wm. F. McDowell, "The Sower." Feb. 22, Dr. Geo. W. Bicknell, "The Uplifted Cross." Mar. 1, Mrs. Mabel L. Conklin, "The New Chivalry."

The Woman's Auxiliary are planning to provide the annual Thanksgiving dinner for young men members of the Association away from home. 200 invitations will be sent out this year. The Auxiliary are also at work raising money with which to refit and re-arrange the member's reading room. They would be glad to have the co-operation of other Christian ladies of the city. Membership dues are only $1 per year. Mrs. C. E. Thompson, 51 Imlay street, is chairman of the Membership Committee.

The development of the Association work is somewhat handicapped at present because of the great need of money for repairing and increasing equipment. At least $5000 is needed very urgently for this purpose.

The Star Course entertainments have opened up with a good deal of interest. The first two in the course having a large attendance. The next number will be Wednesday evening, Nov. 26, when Miss Marion Wilson, the famous character delineator, will give the program, assisted by the Marshall sisters, musical specialists.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

The parish house is occupied every day in the week except Monday.

The Open Hearth mission holds a meeting in the parish house every Sunday at 3 p. m.

The three ladies' societies are preparing a sale and supper.

The missionary society is packing a barrel for Mrs. Buford's hospital to be forwarded at Christmas.

ASYLUM HILL CONGREGATIONAL

The Ladies' Club held its first meeting of the season, Oct. 20. Supper was served at 6 o'clock and then followed election of officers and discussion of plans for the ensuing—the ninth year. This is a very live club and has on its roll most of the teachers and officers and some ex-teachers. Some lectures on Old Testament subjects will be part of the winter's program and these will be open to the public for a nominal sum, though they will never be publicly advertised. After the holidays information may be obtained from Prof. Pratt, or the pastor, or any teacher of the school.

The Junior Circle met at the chapel, Nov. 1, with a promising attendance. This is a branch of the Young People's Federation of the church and is designed to train the children into an intelligent interest in missions. Nov. 21, they are to hold a candy sale, the proceeds to go to missionary causes.

Nov. 3, the social committee of the Young People's Federation gave a well attended and very enjoyable book-party in the church parlors.

WETHERSFIELD BAPTIST.

There has been an increase in numbers at the preaching services Sabbath mornings, also at the mid-week prayer meetings.

The vestry has been painted and decorated.

There will be a reception given on Tuesday evening, Nov. 11, for our retiring pastor and family, Rev. Mr. Elsden, also to welcome our new minister (acting pastor), Rev. Mr. Connell. Mr. Elsden will start for California the following day.

WETHERSFIELD CONGREGATIONAL.

At an informal men's meeting called by our pastor last month, it was decided to form a Men's League to meet monthly. A committee was appointed to prepare by-laws and constitution and report at a future meeting. On Oct. 20, the committee's report was accepted and the following officers elected: Pres., F. A. Griswold ; vice-pres., Warden Garvin; secy., Harry Welles; treas., Fred Savage. Twenty joined as charter members. After our pastor made some remarks setting forth the principles of the League a very interesting paper was read by Professor Sawyer on "Penny Postal Savings." The next meeting of the League will be on Nov. 17.

Our Sunday-school contributes this month to the Congregational Building Society.

The Ladies' Aid Society is making elaborate preparations for the church fair to be held on Nov. 19 and 20.

Nov. 9, was observed asis Decion Day in our Sunday-school, based upon Joshua's advice to the Israelites, "Choose you this day whom ye will serve."

At the Women's S. A. Club meeting, Nov. 8, "Tennyson" was the theme. A sketch of his life was read by Mrs. John Wells and several of his poems were rendered in song.

NEW BRITAIN AVE. MISSION.

The King's Daughters met Oct. 4, at Miss Agard's and Oct. 13, at Miss Clark's, on Barnard street.

The first Sunday in November was observed as a musical night and an attractive program was given. There was music by Clare and Murdock's orchestra, singing by Mrs. Ober, Mrs. Melberger, Mrs. Collie, Mrs. Dicks, Mrs. Townsend, Miss Alice Agard and Mr. Agard. There was reading by Mis Marion Lawson, scripture reading and prayer by past superintendent C. T. McGee.

Oct. 7, the Ladies' Aid Society gave one of its suppers.

The following are those who have spoken to us since the last month: Rev. Mr. Ranney, Rev. Mr. Stiles and Mr. Miller of the Seminary.

BLOOMFIELD METHODIST.

Rev. G. B. Goodrich, of the New Hampshire Conference, delivered the Sunday morning sermon, Nov. 9, and in the evening gave a splendid talk in the Epworth League service.

Our pastor, Rev. J. H. Knott, now holds prayer meetings in the West Street school house on alternate weeks. These have been well attended by those who live in that section and are unable to get over to the church often.

A meeting was held in the church parlor on Friday evening, Nov. 7, for the organization of a Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle, which resulted in an enrollment of ten members, and others have since expessed an intention of enrolling. This circle will prove of great benefit to the young people as well as others who desire to broaden their knowledge and stimulate their intellect. It is entirely undenominational and already includes members from each of the four churches. Meetings are to be held weekly.

The contract for the painting of the exterior of the parsonage has been given to Maloney Brothers, of this town. Oher repairs will also be made on the parsonage and on the horse-sheds, which will use a large portion of the money raised by the church fair recently, which was so successful.

ST. PAUL'S METHODIST.

Beginning October 12, two weeks of special services were held in the church, the pastor preaching each evening. Many were quickened spirltually and there were a few conversions.

Last Sunday two were received upon confession of faith and seven by letter.

The Men's Assembly, which was organized in September, has a membership of about thirty. Several of its sessions have been devoted to the discussion of strikes and labor disputes.

A new singing book, "Young People's Songs of Praise,' has been procured and 125 copies placed in the Sunday-school. It is proving a very satisfactory book.

Miss Alice Rowbotham and Mr. Percy Shoemaker were married in the church on October 16. The choir sang the Lohengrin Bridal March as the bridal party entered the church and the Mendelssohn Wedding March was played as they departed. Many friends nearly filled the church.

MEMORIAL BAPTIST.

God has called to Himself one more of our young people, Howard A. Lamphear, who after a long illness, passed away on November 9.

During the first week of November, our pastor has been in Suffield, to assist Dr. O. O. Fletcher in special meetings.

Beginning on November 10, we expect to have Dr. Fletcher with us in a week of special services.

GRACE CHURCH, WINDSOR.

The Sunday evening service, which has been held at 5 p. m., will be continued at that hour for the present, as it seems to be more generally satisfactory than 7:30, which has usually been our hour in the Winter months.

The Ladies' Society served a supper Thursday, November 3, from 5 to 7 o'clock, which met with pleasing success. These suppers are given at intervals and always prove popular.

GLENWOOD CONGREGATIONAL.

Thursday evening, October 30, following the regular prayer meeting, the annual church meeting was held, and church officers were elected for the coming year. Mrs. Elizabeth Gray was chosen superintendent of the Sunday-school, J. B. Sexton, treasurer, and George H. Wilder, clerk. Trustees were also elected to succeed those whose terms of office expire January 1, 1903. The superintendent was chosen as delegate to the state Sunday-school convention, to be held in Meriden, November 11, 12, 13.

The financial outlook of the church is truly encouraging. By the sale of the parsonage the mortgage is entirely lifted and arrangements have been made for clearing up all back bills.

At the annual meeting, delegates were chosen to attend the local Congregational Conference, to be held at Windsor, November 11.

Wednesday, November 5, the Christian Endeavor Band held a husking-bee. Over forty were present and all enjoyed themselves. Following the husking, cocoa was served, with the lunch for two which each of the girls had taken.

At the regular prayer meeting on Thursday, November 6, city missionary H. J. Gillette, with eight of the Yokefellows from the Fourth church, was present, and the meeting was one of much interest and enjoyment.

Our Sunday-school has a splendid and well deserved reputation for its reading of the lessons, and visitors are always impressed with the earnestness and unanimity which the scholars put into it, lead by the superintendent. Though few in numbers, their voices come out clear and strong and it is a pleasure to listen to them.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

The parish paper has just been issued, this number beginning the ninth volume. It contains minutes of the Church of the Good Shepherd and Trinity Church, Portland, Conn., also resolutions of the "Men's League" on the death of our late senior warden, Hon. J. C. Hall.

The Men's League held its first meeting, October 30, and elected officers for the season. The November meeting will be held Thursday, November 20. Lieutenant Knapp, of the U. S. Navy, will be the speaker and his subject will be "Battleships and Naval Affairs." The Daughters of the King will serve a lunch to those present.

The Rector preached a strong sermon on the lesson and privileges of All Saints' Day on Sunday, November 2. He alluded to those members who have recently passed away in a feeling manner, and the great need of our living faithful, upright, lives.

Beginning with the first Sunday in November, the afternoon service will be held at 4 o'clock, instead of at 5, and will continue so until May next.

Sunday, November 9, at the morning service, the Rector was assisted by Prof. Denslow, who preached a strong and forceful sermon.

At the afternoon service, Archdeacon Joyner of Columbia, S. C., assisted at the service and told of the work that is being done by the Episcopal Church among the colored people in South Carolina. He said there is a great need of more schools and chapels.

ASYLUM AVENUE BAPTIST.

A week of prayer, conducted by Rev. Mr. Maplesden, is to be held during the week beginning November 16.

There was an attendance of sixty children at the last Junior Endeavor meeting, and a marked growth of interest. The Senior Endeavor Society is suffering from the enforced absence of Mr. F. L. Adams, a most faithful member, who is laid aside with a broken ankle, but like Paul and Silas, who sang songs at midnight, he is still praising the Lord.

MORGAN STREET CHAPEL.

The sewing school at the chapel opened Tuesday, November 4, with an attendance of 110 scholars and 21 teachers. Great enthusiasm was manifested, as the children met their teachers again after the separation through the summer months.

The Pleasant Hour Club for boys and girls meets on Monday afternoons, and is well attended. The course of lessons this year is to be on the life of Christ, illustrated by the use of the sand map. This club is composed almost entirely of Jewish and Italian boys and girls.

CHURCH OF THE REEDEMER.

On Wednesday evening. October 29, the Young People's Guild gave an entertainment in the vestry which was very well attended. The entertainment consisted of musical selections on the banjo by a trio of young men and monologues by Miss Kate F. Ellis. Refreshments were served after the entertainment.

Dr. Adams is giving a series of lectures on the "Founders of Our Liberties." These lectures have been very well attended and much enjoyed.

The next Sunday evening service will be held Sunday, November 16, for which a special programme of music is being arranged.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society is working on a fair to be held early in December, which promises to be a very pleasant affair. It is hoped that it will be well supported as the money thus raised will be used largely for charitable purposes.

CHRIST CHURCH.

On Sunday evening, October 26, the First Company, Governor's Foot Guard, celebrated their one hundred and thirty-first anniversary by a service at Christ church. A very large congregation nearly filled the edifice, the Foot Guard, in their brilliant scarlet uniforms occupying seats in the centre aisle. The sermon was delivered by the Rector, the Rev. James Goodwin, the text being Psalm 44:1-4; the topic, "The Power of a Worthy Past." The service was simple, but very heartily rendered, and included the picturesque salute to the colors which is always performed on such occasions.

On the first Sunday in November, Mr. Arthur Priest, late of London, England, recently organist and choirmaster at Christ church, New York city, assumed the similar position at Christ church. It is too early, as yet, to look for results, but his work has begun auspiciously, and seems full of promise.

TRINITY CHURCH, WETHERSFIELD.

There will be a fair at Trinity church parish house, Wednesday, Nov. 12, from 4 until 10 p. m. This fair is to be given by eight of the girls of the Sunday-school. There are to be fancy articles, candy, cake, plants, ice cream and chocolate for sale. It is hoped that it will be a success. The money will be given to the church.

The Men's Club will hold a business meeting in the parish house Monday evening Nov. 10, at 3 o'clock.

The Ladies' Guild will meet in the parish house, Thursday afternoon.

A club is being planned for the girls by Mr. Rieland and a number of the Sunday-school teachers.

WEST HARTFORD CONGREGATIONAL.

The annual bazaar, so much enjoyed by the members of the congregation in former years. was held in the church parlors on Wednesday and Thursday, October 1 and 2, and proved a complete success. The booths, numbering nine, were all very tastefully trimmed and were in charge of members of the congregation, with Mrs. J. C. Paulison as lady manager. The new features were the basket and stationery booths. Dinner and supper was served each day. The net proceeds of the bazaar amounted to $713.73, the entire sum to be used toward reducing the society's debt.

The Woman's Home Missionary Union held a very intetresting neighborhood meeting at the church on Wednesday evening, October 29. The principal feature of the meeting was an address by Mrs. Ella Shepherd Moore of the American Missionary Association, who was one of the original Fisk Jubilee Singers.

The Men's Union held its first meeting of the season on Friday evening, October 31. Prof. C. M. Geer gave a highly instructive address upon, "Anarchy, Its Rise and Progress."

Every Sunday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, the pastor conducts a special class for Bible study for children between the ages of eight and thirteen.

The C. E. Society held a social in the church parlors on Friday evening, November 7. A candy-pull afforded great amusement.

At the C. E. cabinet meeting held Monday, November 3, it was voted to continue the mission study class, under the leadership of Prof. Geer, the subject to be "India." It was also voted, that the leader appointed to conduct the meeting on the Sunday that the class shall meet, shall lead the prayer meeting on Thursday evening, instead, thus giving the young people entire charge of one of the mid-week meetings a month.

A union service was held in the auditorium of the church on Sunday evening, November 9, at which the members of the several churches in town were in attendance. Prof. C. M. Geer delivered the address.

WINDSOR CONGREGATIONAL.

We are all rejoicing in the completion of our parish house after many delays. The first service in the new building was the Thursday evening prayer meeting, November 6. The next evening there was an opening reception by the ladies' society. Our Sunday evening service was quite impressive and a large audience was present.

Tuesday, November 11, the Hartford Conference met with us and its meetings were also in the new building. The dedication will be in December. The cost was $9,493, of which amount $6,000 has been raised.

PARK CONGREGATIONAL.

On Friday evening, November 7, the second social of the year was given by the Mission Circle to the young people of the church. It took the form of a supper. During the hour the Tempo Quartet rendered four selections. Later Ping Pong was enjoyed, and Miss Adeline O'Connor recited two selections most interestingly. Partners for the supper were formed by matching the two parts of a picture which had been cut in two. Many new acquaintances were formed and great credit is due those who took charge of the affair.

On Thursday evenings, Mr. Ranney is conducting a series of talks on the Old Testament history, in connection with the Sunday-school lessons.

On Thursday evening, November 13, Mrs. Abbey Snell Burnell will impersonate a high caste Hindu woman, appearing in costume and giving the most realistic possible picture of life in India. A silver collection will be taken. Following this address, there will be a brief meeting of the Sunday-school teachers.

The 4 o'clock vesper services on Sundays have begun and Mr. Camp is to be congratulated upon the beautiful music which is such a helpful part of that service.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, EAST HARTFORD.

The contributions for the church debt have reached over $700, and there is much hope that the $1,000 desired this year will be raised before the year closes.

The Ladies' Home Missionary Society gave a supper, and sale of fancy articles, which realized over $70. The proceeds are to be used for the church debt.

The Current Events and Literary Club has begun its winter's work. It was a very successful and profitable club last winter and it is believed it will be no less so this season.

CENTER CONGREGATIONAL.

The Sunday afternoon vesper services have been resumed and are largely attended.

Since alterations have been taking place in the building used by us as a Sunday-school, we have been holding this service in our church. Mr. Potter usually delivers a short lecture during the session.

The Teachers' Training Class held a meeting Monday afternoon. These meetings are profitable and interesting.

The Knights of King Arthur have arranged to hold their meetings on Friday evenings.

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AN APPEAL FOR THANKSGIVING DAY

The evolution of Thanksgiving Day from a local and occasional colonial observance to a recognized national institution is one of the most interesting passages in American history. It is the one day in which the nation as a whole makes some acknowledgement of its dependence on God and its obligations to Him. It affords a fine opportunity for the more thoughtful and earnest to impress upon the whole people truths which are vitally related to the life and well-being of the nation. This opportunity is found in the example of Christian congregations assembling for public worship In the sermons which they come to hear, and in the family re-unions to which, equally with the worship of the sanctuary, the day is devoted.

But this noble opportunity is in danger of being frittered away and wholly lost through the perversion of the day to frivolity and dissipation. It ought to be esteemed an indispensable part of good citizenship to comply with the proclamation of the President and the Governor by going to church on Thanksgiving Day. On the day of the funeral of President McKinley, on the briefest notice, the churches everywhere were crowded. It ought not to require such a tragedy and national calamity to bring a Christian people to the house of God. No pastor ought to be willing to forego the opportunity to instruct his people in the sentiments proper to the day, and no church should fail on such a day to present itself before God and its chosen teacher for worship and instruction.

This year, in particular, our Nation has much to be thankful for, as we have had an era of marked prosperity. We have had labor troubles and more or less fighting in the distant Philippines, but otherwise we can be thankful for the blessing of peace.

GENERAL BOOTH AND HIS ARMY.

The venerable General William Booth, fonuder and head of the Salvation Army, is on a tour of inspection in America. He was enthusiastically welcomed in New York on his arrival, and great crowds of people flock to hear him when he speaks.

The Salvation Army is now thirty-seven years old, and is working in forty-nine countries. It has 8,000 societies, with 60,000 officers, and 1,700 bandsmen. Its publication work is extensive. It issues regularly sixty-two different publications in twenty-one languages. Over two million meetings are held annually. In the United States the organization has cavalry brigades, outriders' circuits, maternity homes, women's shelters, labor bureaus, friendly inns, and an inquiry department which looks up lost friends.

At his farewell meeting in London before starting for America, Gen. Booth said he expectetd to travel during the next five months between 20,000 and 30,000 miles in the United States and Canada, visiting the principal cities and addressing the Salvationists.

The thirty-fifth annual meeting of the Woman's Board of Missions, which has for its object the promotion of interest in foreign missions among the women of this country, the increase of their interest in the moral condition of their less fortunate sisters in heathen countries and the encouragement of enthusiasm among American children for foreign missionary work, met in Washington, November 5. The program included the names of some of the most prominent workers in foreign and American missionary fields. The meeting was presided over by President Samuel B. Capen, LL.D., and Rev. Jas. L. Barton participated. Dr. Barton was a missionary in Turkey from 1885 to 1892 and has since been a member of deputations to Japan, Mexico and India and is regarded as a specialist on missionary work. Among the speakers were Miss Ellen M. Stone, Miss Susan D. Riggs, a native of Sivas, Western Turkey, Dr. Julia Bissel, a native of Ahmednagar, India, Mrs. Frances Clark, wife of the founder of the Christian Endeavor Society, Miss Alice M. Kyle and Miss Gertrude R. Hance of Esidumbini, South Africa.

A National Conference on the Christian Principles of Civil Government will be held under the auspices of the National Reform Association in the Pilgrim Congregational Church, St. Louis, Mo., on the 18th to the 20th of November. The principal topics on the program are "Peace and Arbitration," "The Obligation of the Sabbath and Its Value to the Nation," "The Reformation of Our Marriage and Divorce Laws," "The Oath and its Place in Our Government," "Public Education as Related to Morals and Religion," "Municipal Reform—Moral Elements in the Problem," and "The Expression of Our National Christianity in Fundamental Law." The recent decision by the Supreme Court of Nebraska against the reading of the bible in the schools of that state and the recent exposure of bribery and corruption in the city government of St. Louis lend especial point and timeliness to some of these discussions. The treatment of these important themes appears to be in able hands.

Sound thinkers must see the reasonableness of the demand that labor organizations incorporate and thus make themselves legally responsible. The movement would make for the welfare of the labor movement, because it would prevent those organizations which are officered by irresponsible heads from striking without due grounds and it would destroy all ground for employers to claim that they cannot deal with labor organizations because they are irresponsible. In a word, it would place them on a business basis.

Kaiser Wilhelm is a great Nimrod. in thirty years he has taken the harmless lives of 47,443 birds and animals. This includes 19,508 wild boars. Truly he ought to be proud of this record. The Kaiser, one can imagine, would feel quite in his element in the slaughter pen of one of our pork packing establishments.

The 26th bi-ennial Convention at Meriden, of the State Sunday-school Workers, was well attended and the addresses were exceedingly interesting and helpful. Mr. S. H. Williams, of Glastonbury, was elected president, and it was voted to hold the next meeting in 1903 instead of 1904, so as to alternate with the State Christian Endeavor Union.

Some remarkable paintings of Christ are now on exhibition in the Batterson Building, the artist being Prof. Louis

Ransom. These conceptions of Christ are especially noteworthy for the fact that he is presented as a strong and masterful character, without any trace of weakness or effeminacy, so strongly suggested in most other Christ paintings. These paintings are well worth going out of one's way to see.

A meeting of the Hartford Federation of Churches will be held at the Center Church, Wednesday, November 19. The program will consist of addresses by several pastors of our city, and also one by Mr. Warren F. Spaulding, Secretary of the Massachusetts Prison Association, on "The Modern Methods of Dealing With Crime."

Work is now well begun on the new Harrisburg, Pa. Association building, which will replace that occupied for several years by the Association. This new building will cost completed, $101,000, will be 80 by 80 feet, four stories high, and it is expected to be completed in March, 1902. It will combine all the best features of Association architecture and have no debt. We give an illustration of it on another page.

WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

At our meeting of Oct. 21, a report was given of the recent state convention in New Haven, at which our local presdent, Mrs. C. B. Forbes, was elected state president for the nineteenth time.

On Nov. 4, at our annual meeting, Mrs. Forbes gave a report of the late national convention held in Portland, Me., at which every state in the Union was represented except Louisiana. Quoting from the address of the national president, Mrs. Stevens, of Portland, Me,. there are no breweries or distilleries in Maine, nor an open saloon. The convention was held in the Jefferson Opera House, the largest auditorium in the city, seating 1500, and every seat was filled. On Sunday, thirty-two of the church pulpits, of Portland were filled by W. C. T. U. delegates. From the temperance hospital in Chicago, the death rate was reported as less than four and one-half per cent and no alcohol used. Lady Henry Somerset was present and took part in the convention. Miss Forbes has attended every national convention in the past nineteen years and declares the Portland convention to have been one of the best.

Thanksgiving supplies, in complete variety and the best quality, can be found at the Smith & Clapp Grocery Co., 193 Asylum street. A proved reputation for reasonable prices, fine class of merchandise and prompt deliveries, makes this firm one of the most satisfactory to deal with.

Headquarters for toys of all kinds at A. H. Pomeroy's, 98 Asylum street. A line of toy automobiles now in stock at varying prices.

YOUNG WOMEN'S BRANCH WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN ASS'N.

The Junior work is steadily progressing. Several girls are already taking piano lessons, who would otherwise be denied the privilege. Sewing, cooking and other classes for them are now planned.

The lunch room is being conducted on a membership basis, which we feel will work toward its improvement.

A sewing class meets each Thursday afternoon and is making good progress.

A class in English literature meets the first and third Mondays in each month, at 7:30 p. m. We promise both pleasure and profit to those who attend it.

An improved system of dress-making is taught on Wednesday evening of each week. This class should graduate first-class dressmakers.

A cooking class just starting will make itself felt in the near future.

A general history class will open Nov. 10, to meet the second Monday in each month.

A weekly class in English language is held each Wednesday evening.

A physical culture class will open Nov. 11, at Alliance Hall, rear of 26 Chapel street. Lessons once a week.

All interested in any of these different lines are cordially invited to join the classes.

Particulars may be learned at the rooms of the Branch, 52 Church street.

HARTFORD CHARITIES.

The annual meeting and public reception of the Shelter for Women, was held on November 5.

The fair of the Union for Home Work, which was held at the Y. M. C. A. during the last week of October, was very successful as usual.

The Larrabee Fund Association held its annual meeting at Memorial Hall, October 13. A special donation of $60, which was received, was used in supplying coal to beneficiaries.

The Nurses' Association recently held a fair at the Nurses' Home, for the purpose of raising money to replenish their reference library.

The Business Men's Association has undertaken to relieve the needs of the poor in the way of fuel, by contributing boxes and barrels as fuel material.

The Children's Aid Society held its annual meeting at the Home for Incurables in Newington, on October 29. It was then voted to call it the "Virginia T. Smith Home." Mrs. S. L. G. Crane was appointed supervisor.

The Woman's Christian Association recently opened its educational work at its rooms on Church street.

THE OPEN HEARTH.

The month just passed has given an opportunity to test the new chapel which has proved most satisfactory. The service room, which is similar in shape and size to the one on Front street, has the great advantage of electric lighting in the place of the kerosene lamps which hung in the old room on Front street, and the further improvement of ventilation from both sides.

The move into the new service room was marked by the resumption of the two of the weekly services, which had been omitted during the summer months. So that now there is as usual a service every night in the week.

Some days ago the Business Men's Association voted to give Mr. Miller the distribution among the poor of the boxes which are received in the course of trade. A considerable quantity of wood has thus been received onto the premises of the Open Hearth and in part distributed.

Some alterations and some very essential improvements have been begun in the Open Hearth's main building. The introduction of a number of shower baths will be a most valuable addition both to the comfort and welfare of all who are staying permanently or transiently in the institution. And certain alterations on the east side of the house are designed to turn one of the rooms into a girls' club room. It is planned that this shall be under the charge of a matron and that it shall be open every evening, being separated entirely from the other part of the house. Such a room will fill a long felt need and will be a great addition to the work.

Other changes are planned which will probably be under way by next month. The attendance at the meetings has been most encouraging.

The demands upon the wood yard have been very heavy during the past weeks, but the force employed has risen very well to the occasion and has carried the greatly increased business very creditably.

Sunday afternoon services have been opened on Washington street in the building which was formerly the Psi Upsilon Chapter house of Trinity College and whose present owner, the Rev. John T. Huntington, has very kindly opened the building for these meetings. This branch of work is in continuation of the Gospel Wagon services held at Pope Park, and it is the object of these services to attract those who attended the open air services during the Summer. A similar effort is being made through a weekly prayer meeting held at some private houses in the vicinity of Charter Oak Park, to follow up the Sunday visits of the Gospel Wagon to that vicinity during the warm weather.

ADDITIONAL CHURCHES.

BLOOMFIELD CONGREGATIONAL.

There being no way at present to sufficiently heat the main auditorium of the church, services are being held in the lecture room down stairs.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Woodford and Mr. F. C. Bidwell were the delegates sent to Windsor, Tuesday, November 11, to represent the church at the 32d annual meeting of the Hartford Conference.

The superintendent of the Sunday-school appointed the full number of delegates to attend the Biennial Convention at Meriden, but other meetings and conferences conflicting, they could not all go.

Two members of the Sunday-school were recently awarded the diploma badge for four years' perfect record of attendance. They were the pastor and Miss Edna Woodford.

The new furnace has arrived and will be set in place just so soon as the floor in the furnace room can be prepared and cemented.

Mr. Geo. K. Marvin has been appointed a delegate with the pastor to attend the General Conference in New Britain in December.

FIRST BAPTIST.

Several letters of much interest have been received recently from our missionary in India, Rev. A. Bunker. His experiences are many and interesting and his progress something to be thankful for.

The ladies of the church recently packed and sent away their annual missionary barrel.

The pastor will shortly begin a series of Sunday sermons on "Joseph."

On Wednesday evening November 26, a Thanksgiving prayer meeting will be held, to which every person attending is supposed to bring a contribution of anything eatable, which may be added to the baskets we always distribute Thanksgiving Day.

The first meeting this season of the Steadfast Club was held at the home of Miss Howard, on Collins street, Wednesday evening, November 12.

Tuesday evening, November 11, a social was given in our chapel by the ladies of the church. It was very well attended.

SOUTH PARK METHODIST.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society held its annual public thank-offering meeting in the chapel, Monday evening, November 10. An interesting programme was given and light refreshments were served.

On Wednesday afternoon, November 5, Mrs. F. D. Gamewell, of China, addressed a missionary meeting in the chapel, and in the evening she spoke at a union missionary mass meeting in the church, all the Methodist churches of this vicinity uniting.

Wednesday evening, November 12, there will be a stereopticon lecture in the church, given by Mr. H. D. Hemenway, entitled "Children's Gardens in the United States." There will also be vocal and instrumental music. This entertainment is given under the auspices of the literary department of the Epworth League.

A very pleasing entertainment was given in the chapel Friday evening, October 31, by "Mother Goose and her Goslings," assisted by the Juniors. There were characters from Mother Goose, and some very effective tableaux.

UNITY CHURCH.

A Halloween party was held in the church parlor on the evening of October 31. It was directed by Miss Reardon and Miss Lanphear.

It opened with a peanut hunt, followed by fortune telling. The fortunes were enclosed in walnut shells and, being read by the recipients, were found very entertaining.

A ghost dance was a prominent feature of the evening and proved very amusing. The evening closed with whist playing. Appropriate refreshments were served.

The Sewing Circle met with Mrs. Carroll on the afternoon of November 6, and articles were prepared for the barrel for the Talledaga School.

FOURTH CONGREGATIONAL.

Some new features have been introduced into our church service, which have added to their interest and attractiveness. Both morning and evening a processional is used by the choir. In the evening a printed service has been introduced, with responsive scripture readings and considerable music. Hymn boards have been put up in the church. These new features have added much to the services.

A musical service was given Sunday evening, October 26. In the absence of Mrs. Goodrich, Miss Ada Austin, of the Center Church, assisted.

The chorus choir has now nearly reached the membership limit. Both the sight-singing class and the harmony class are well attended. A choral choir of children from the Sunday-school is being organized and will assist in the church services.

Mr. Sleeper, the organist and choir director, is planning to give an organ recital soon.

The Girls' Junior, under the direction of Miss Dougherty, has started the fall work with increased membership and great interest. The girls have taken up basket-weaving with great success. Once a month a missionary meeting is held. The boys' club is planning to organize into a castle of the Knights of King Arthur.

At the church social, in charge of the Ladies' Union, October 24, Mr. Kelsey gave a very interesting account of his trip abroad this summer. Owing to stormy weather not many were able to attend, but those present had a very pleasant evening. Tea and light refreshments were served by the ladies.

The Hartford Superintendents' Union met at the Fourth Church, October 27. About thirty were present. A short organ recital by Mr. Edward Benedict was followed by a supper.

After supper a short business meeting was held, when officers for the next year were nominated. Mr. H. H. Spooner, President of the Connecticut S. S. Association, then addressed the meeting, after which there was a general discussion regarding the work of the Association.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN.

The annual meeting of the Young Peoples' Association was held Tuesday evening, November 11. Mr. A. D. MacKinnon was elected president and the various committees appointed. The association is in good financial condition, having paid $50 during the past on its pledge towards the church debt. The Y. P. A. held a Harvest Home Festival, Tuesday evening, October 14, at which a delightful time was had.

The Sunday-school Association held its monthly supper and meeting on Thursday evening, November 6. An address was made by Professor Clark S. Beardsley, of the Seminary.

Decision Day in the Sunday-school was observed November 9. Eight young people took a decided stand on that day in regard to their future living.

Sunday, November 23, is the date fixed upon for cancelling the balance of $700, on our church debt of $6,000. Special efforts are being made to wipe out the debt entirely.

The ladies of the church hold their annual sale and supper at the Y. M. C. A., on December 9.

FIRST METHODIST.

October 22, "A Tourist Entertainment" was given by the social department of the Epworth League. Dr. McCormick gave a very interesting talk on his European trip and Mr. W. H. Hipple on Niagara Falls.

The ladies of the church held a sale of useful and fancy articles on Friday, October 31, at the home of Mrs. W. H. Newell, Capitol avenue.

November 19, the social department will give a "Musical Romance" in the lecture room of the church.

WARBURTON CHAPEL.

Our Sunday-school has always had an attraction alike for boys and girls, the number of each usually being about equal. Since the organization of the gymnasium classes, under the leadership of Mr. Edward B. Benedict, the boys in Sunday-school have outnumbered the girls. On Sunday last, of forty scholars in the primary department, one-half were boys. In the intermediate and senior departments, of seventy-five pupils, forty-one were boys.

Our school will be represented at the State Association convention in Meriden, by Miss Eliza T. Mix, Miss Myrtie C. Calhoun and the superintendent.

Three cooking classes have been arranged, with Miss Annie M. Sweet as teacher.

Our scholars who have been sick with scarlet fever are convalescent, but not recovered sufficiently to return to us.

TRINITY CHURCH.

The Girls' Friendly Society will hold a sale of fancy and useful articles in the parish house, Tuesday, November 25, afternoon and evening. At 8 o'clock there will be an entertainment of instrumental and vocal selections, and recitations by Misses Kellogg and Tallman and Mr. Charles Edward Price, Jr.

Archdeacon Joyner addressed the congregation November 9, telling of his work among the negroes in the state of South Carolina.

The Sunday-school scholars are packing a box of Christmas articles for an Indian school in South Dakota, being helped by the Missionary League whose members work on candy bags, etc., on Friday afternoons.

Last Sunday was the banner Sunday of our history, as regards attendance of scholars alone.

The mission class meets Thursday evenings at 8 o'clock, immediately after teachers' meeting, which begins at 7. The papers prepared thus far, on the subject of Japan, have been very interesting, and the attendance has been good.

SOUTH CONGREGATIONAL.

Dr. Parker has decided to try a series of talks for the mid-week gathering for this winter, to be given on Friday evening of each week. The first meeting of this description was held on Friday evening, November 7. Dr. Parker led the formal services which consisted of the singing of a few hymns, and a prayer, after which he called upon General J. H. Jarman, president of the Young Men's Union, who introduced the speaker of the evening, Mr. Alfred T. Richards. Mr. Richards gave a very delightful account of his recent trip through Southern England, commencing with a vivid description of the Coronation of King Edward, the VII, which he witnessed. Mr. Richards is an interesting speaker, and the account was very much enjoyed by all present. There was a large attendance. Mr. Greene, the tenor of the church choir, sang several fine selections, and light refreshments were served at the close of the evening.

FARMINGTON AVENUE CONGREGATIONAL.

The social committee of our C. E. Society planned a very entertaining program recently, called a "Sock Party," and realized quite a sum for the treasury.

Wednesday evening, November 9, they will give another entertainment styled "A Conversational Masquerade." Ladies will provide box lunch for two and gentlemen will furnish the chocolate.

The reports of the New England C. E. Convention, at Boston, were given Sunday evening, October 26, by our delegates, Miss Grace D. Thayer and Mr. W. G. Baxter.

Miss Florence Fenn, of Laurel street, has very kindly assisted by singing at our Endeavor meetings, recently.

The Ladies' Home Missionary Society intends to hold a sale and provide supper at an early date.

Mr. Stanley of the Theological Seminary, led the Endeavor meeting Sunday, November 9.

SOUTH BAPTIST.

Wednesday evening, November 12, a surprise was given Mr. William P. Laraway, the bass in our church choir, at his home on Sargeant street. About thirty-five of his friends composed the party.

Sunday, November 2, a report of the Boston Convention was given before our Y. P. S. C. E. by our delegate, Mr. Matthews. The members of the different societies of the churches in the city were invited to be with us to hear the reports and a number of societies were represented at the meeting.

The entertainment committee is planning a social for the coming week.

The Men's League gives its monthly banquet Tuesday evening in the parlors of the church. Owing to the illness of Mr. Wm. Rhodes, Mr. Fred Tucker has assumed charge of the League for the present.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

An enjoyable and well as a profitable evening was spent Sunday, November 2, when Sunday-school and Loyal Workers' Society united in a mission service. Recitations, readings and songs filled the programme.

Our mid-week prayer meeting has been varied a little from the usual order the past month, as our pastor has been out of town some of the time, and Mr. W. J. Pierce, always able and willing in time of need, has shouldered the burden of leading, with good effect. His method is to take some well known writer's production and read it with comments which are always as interesting as the article which is read.

We expect our pastor's father, Rev. Geo. L. Teople, of Massachusetts, will occupy the pulpit Sunday, November 16.

The Loyal Worker's Society will hold its annual meeting for the election of officers and transaction of business Friday evening, December 5. A full attendance is desired.

SUFFIELD STREET BAPTIST.

A fine harvest supper was given by the Dorcas Society about two weeks ago. A large number were present, who greatly enjoyed the supper.

A physical culture class has been formed by the young people who meet on Wednesday evening.

R. Dale Smith, who has been for a year and a half employed in Danbury, by the Danbury Medical Printing Co., has returned to Hartford, and is connected with The Smith-Linsley Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy H. Wiley, who were recently married, were tendered a reception at their home, 49 Elmer street, on Tuesday evening, October 21. The couple were presented with a chair by the members of the Young Peoples' Society and friends of the chapel. About 40 persons were present and the autograph of each was written in an album marriage certificate. A musical program was rendered and refreshments served.

At the Rally Day service held by the Sunlay-school, there was an attendance of 162 scholars, besides several parents and visitors. Rev. Harold Pattison, Rev. J. B. Connell, C. P. Gladding, Superintendent Buckley and L. A. Wiley made short addresses. A souvenir program was a feature of the exercises.

The Y. P. S. C. E. will hold a rally and reunion on the evening of November 28. It is hoped that there will be a very large attendance of members and friends.

The Junior girls are busily engaged in dressing tiny dolls for poor colored children in the South. A Haloween Social was given to the Juniors by the leaders this year. A very pleasant hour was spent.

A Canadian firm recently placed with the Montreal and Toronto newspapers an advertisement of a new nursing-bottle it had patented and was about to place on the market. After giving directions for use, the "ad" ended in this manner:

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HARTFORD UNION NOTES.

Hartford C. E. Union was neglected in last month's issue owing to the fact that its secretary was in Boston attending the N. E. C. E. Convention.

The annual meeting, held with the Windsor Ave. Congregational Society was a success in all respects, more interest and enthusiasm being shown than at any time during the past two years. Reports from societies showed them to be in a flonrishing condition.

The afternoon session began at 4:30. Oct. 20, and was devoted to the nsual rontine bnsiness. Mrs. J. B. Sexton, as Junior Supt., reported two new Junior Societies, viz: Asylum Ave. Baptist and Wethersfield Congregational.

At 6 o'clock a collation was served

At 7:15 p. m., the business meeting for election of officers for the ensning year resulted as follows: Pres., Dr. E. H. Munger, of the West Hartford Congregational Society; secy.-treas., Miss Grace B. Thayer, Farmington Ave. Congregational Society; vice-pres., Northern Section, Mr. S. H. Wollerton; vice-pres., Central Seetion, Mr. Geo. H. Wilder; vice-pres., Southern Section Mr. Albert H. Brooks; vice pres., Eastern Section, Mr. Henry D. Olmsted; vice-pres., Northwestern Section, Rev. Samnel A. Fiske.

The evening session began at 7:45, and after the devotional exercises and the colleeion taken, which was for the benefit of the Open Hearth, Dr. J. W. Cooper of New Britain, addressed the meeting. Then followed an Open Parliament and Question Box conducted by Mr. Nelson B. Bassett. The meeting closed with a short consecration service.

The directors of the Central Section meet in the Y. M. C. A. parlors on Tudesday evening, Nov. 11 to plan for a meeting of this section in the near future.

The directors of the Hartford C. E. Union will meet next Tnesday evening, Nov. 18, at 7:30 p. m., in the Y. M. C. A. parlors.

The Hartford C. E. Union plans to give the prisoners at Wethersfield the usual Christmas entertainment, Dec. 25, at 10 a. m.

There will be a rally of the Junior Societies at the East Hartford Cong'l chnrch, Snnday, Nov. 23, at 3:30 o'clock. Mrs. Abby Snell Burnell wil impersonate "Menarchee," a high easte Hindu woman. She will wear the Hindu costume while she tells the story.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

LOOKOUT COMMITTEE NOTES.

If yon are fortunate enough to belong to a good society, it is your dnty to keep it so. If a member is absent from one consecration meeting, see that he is notified of and urged to come to the next consecration meeting. If this is done you will have very little occasion to drop members for non-attendance of three meetings. If you have members upon your list who have failed to be present or send a response for three consecration meetings, use tact in dealing with them, let them be approached by the ones who have the most influence over them and use every means to bring them back. If yon fail, drop them, as they are not doing yon any good and yon are not helping them.

I do not believe that there is a so-society in the Union where every person, of snitable age, in the congregation, is a member, either active or associate, of the C. E. Until this ideal condition exists, there is work for the Lookont Committee. Plan a systematic campaign for new members. Appoint an assistant in ever Sunday-school class where the members' ages are between 14 and 30.

Keep the regnlar Lookont Committee record of each meeting, as to the attendance and participation of each member—that is—whether they read a verse, offer prayer, or say something of their own. After you get this information, use it. At yonr monthly bnsiness meetings report the number of active members present and absent, and the number taking part in the different ways, so that they may realize it if they are not eoming np to as high a plane as they should. Work with the prayer meeting comittee in the use of the individual records, trying to get each member to advance to regular attendance and to take part in the harder ways.

EDWIN H. MUNGER,
President Hartford C. E. Union.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS.

(From the Presbyterian C. E. Manual)

Snn., Nov. 16. Topic—"For Me." Isa. 53:6; Lnke 22:19, 20; Rom. 5: 6-8; I John 3:16.

We all have gone astray like sheep and the iniquity of all was laid upon Jesus. Hence each one of ns can say, "He died for me."

In the Lord's Snpper the Master said, as he gave the broken bread, "This is my body, which is given for you" and as he gave the cup, "This cnp . . . poured out for you."

Jesns did not give his life merely for a cause. He did not love merely a race and give himself for it. He died for people he loved—he "died for us."

Sun., Nov. 23. Topic—Thanksgiving and thanksliving. Ps. 116: 12-17; Jas. 1: 27.

What God wants us to do in return for his unspeakable goodness is to "take the cup of salvation"—that is, to accept his love and grace.

One way of showing God that we are trnly thankful to him is to pay onr vows in the presence of the people. How good we would all be if we did this!

We should show our thanksgiving in kindness to the poor, the widow and the fatherless, and by keeping our life unspotted from the world.

Snn., Nov. 30. Topic—Missions: A Meeting in the Interests of Foreign Missions. "The world for Christ." Isa. 45: 12-23.

This is God's world. He made it and claims a place in every part of it. We can do no better work than help God set up his kingdom in some little corner.

God sent his Son into this world to win it over from sin to himself. Jesus said, "All authority hath been given unto me." The work of missions is to get Christ his rights, to make disciples for him of all nations.

The promise is that all the world shall come to Christ's feet. "Unto me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear." This should encourage ns in our missionary work. It shall not fail.

Sun., Dec. 7. Topic—Do I Discourage Others? Mark 10: 46-52; Num. 13: 26-33.

The people tried to discourage the blind man when they heard him crying to Jesus for healing. That was really a very unkind thing to do.

If the blind man had been easily discouraged the people's rebnkes might have turned him back, leaving him unhealed when healing had come within his reach

The spies by the report they bronght back, disconraged a whole nation and led them into unbelief and rebellion which cost them a fearful price.

ADDITIONAL BOOK NOTICES.

Bread and Wine. By Maude Egerton King. 191 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Houghton, Mifflin & Co.

A story of the romance in the lives of the peasants of Graubunden. Written in an intimate and sympathetic style, which the author's close knowledge of her subject makes possible, there is a charm in the story which its simple plot would ordinarily not raise above dullness.

"Ursula" is a character of truly remarkable qualities, thoroughly human, but so many sided that one obtains a conception of her which makes her foremost in many respects of any character in contemporary realistic literature.

How to Live. By Edward Everett Hale. 201 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Little, Brown & Co. Price $1.50.

The author of "The Man Without a Country" here considers the questions: "How does man know what is right or wrong, and why does he think one thing right and another wrong?" He advises how to choose one's calling, how to sleep, how to exercise, think, study, know God, bear a brother's burdens, regulate expenses and dress. He writes also of dealing with one's children and of how to remain young, of a man's duty to the church and the state and of many similar subjects.

The experience of a life time, the judgment of a scholar and a sage, are summed up in this valuable book.

The Champion. By Charles Egbert Craddock. 257 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Houghton, Mifflin & Co. Price $1.20.

"The Champion" is the nick-name bestowed upon the young printer's devil in a newspaper office. He is a characteristic example of that very useful member of the printing craft.

He is led into temptation by vicious companions and for a time follows a deplorable course, but one that is made full of interest to the reader. The story is a "moral" one and interest-holding, but as literature not up to Miss Murfree's usual standard.

Strange Lands Near Home. By various Writers. 138 pages, 16 mo. Boston: Ginn & Co. Price 25 cents.

The West Indies, Mexico, and the various countries of South America—lands near home, with which too many older ones, as well as children, are very unfamiliar, are written of vividly, but simply, in this, the latest volume of the Youth's Companion series.

The Things That Are Cæsar's. By Reginald Wright Kauffman. 336 pages, 12 mo. New York: D. Appleton & Co. Price $1.50.

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His experiences and the final result of his struggle for exact justice are treated in the story in an interest-sustaining style.

Fortune's Road. By Will Payne. 290 pages, 12 mo. Chicago: A. C. McClurg & Co. Price $1.25.

Short stories of business life of the more strenuous nature make this volume of marked interest in contemporary literature.

It is so filled with real human nature that the interest is held constantly. Most of the stories have been successfully tested in various magazines, but it is good to see them collected in one volume. "A Day in Wheat," "The Chairman's Politics' and "The End of the Deal" deserve special mention and praise.

With a Saucepan Over the Sea. By Adelaide Keen. 265 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Little Brown & Co. Price $1.50.

If you would like to know the dainty dishes that served to tickle the palates of Henry of Navarre, Mary Stuart, Louis XV. and Napoleon, and yearn to taste them yourself, herein is revealed the recipes and secrets. Over six hundred recipes for soups, fish, eggs, sauces, entrees, vegetables, salads, etc., quaint and delicious concoctions all, from the kitchens of foreign countries, are described herein.

Care has been taken apparently to name dishes only whose ingredients are obtainable in this country. The appetite is whetted before one has tasted the dishes, by the numerous excellent photographs of succulent viands.

Polly's Secret, A Story of the Kennebec. By Harriet A. Nash. 291 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Little, Brown & Co. Price $1.20.

The engrossing tale of a brave, lovable little New England girl and the keeping of a secret by her. The strength, beauty and naturalness of the little heroine is the great charm of the book, which is one of the best examples of high class stories for young people.

The fun in the book is apparent While there is a primitive tone to the social life described, it is pure and amusing in nearly every feature.

Jesus' Way. By William DeWitt Hyde. 198 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Houghton, Mifflin & Co. Price $1.00.

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Luck o' Lassendale. By the Earl of Iddesleigh. 351 pages, 12 mo. New York: John Lane. Price $1.50.

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Sir Francis Lassendale becomes wealthy through lucky turf and mining speculations, only to lose all through the turning of the luck. He is a pitiable character, weak, though possessing extraordinary self-esteem.

The story is somewhat long drawn out, but contains many rare sparks of interest-exciting incidents. The purpose of the novel is admirable.

Beautiful Joe's Paradise. A Sequel to "Beautiful Joe." By Marshall Saunders. 365 pages, 12 mo. Boston L. C. Page & Co. Price $1.50.

The many who have read "Beautiful Joe" will be eager to read this sequel, so also will many whose experiences lead them to believe that there is some sort of a paradise provided for their animal friends in the hereafter.

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Col. Curtis Guild, Jr.'s, article entitled "The Spellbinder," in the November Scribner's, is a very practical human document on public speaking. There are many amusing anecdotes of incidents that occurred during recent campaigns, and much helpful information regarding the best ways of attracting and retaining the attention of large audiences.

Two unusually interesting articles are those on "The Greatest Fur Country of the World," and "The Acting of Richard Mansfield," by William Winter. Both are in the November number of Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly, which contains also the last installment in "The Autobiography of a Thief."

Lovers of wild animals will find much to interest and amuse them, in an article, "Droll Babies in the New York Zoo," in the Woman's Home Companion for November. It tells how baby wild animals live and are taken care of in captivity.

In the November number, the Century marks its new year and volume by the introduction of a new type and a lighter looking page. It has a cover in colors by Adamson and adds to the range and interest of its experiments in color printing seven pictures by Maxfield Parrish, originally made in color for the series on "The Great Southwest," and which have already appeared in black and white. Apart from Mr. Parrish's artistic work, these pictures challenge attention as examples of what can be done with modern methods of color printing. They appear as frontispieces.

The Cosmopolitan for November contains an interesting paper by the late John Fiske on "John Milton." As usual with Professor Fiske's work, the treatment of the subject shows careful study of authorities as well as some original research.

Chanticleer, A Pastoral Romance. By Violette Hall. 304 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Lothrop Publishing Co. Price $1.50.

The story of two lovers, happily married, to whom circumstances suggest a simple life close to the heart of nature, as a contrast to the life they had passed amid the artificialities and worries of human society.

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Faithful. By the author of Miss Toosey's Mission. 283 pages, 16 mo. Boston Little, Brown & Co. Price $1.00.

The attractiveness which a natural generosity gives to an otherwise commonplace person is exemplified in the character of "Faithful." She is a girl heroine of the most wholesome type, and an inspiration to all girl readers. The story, though simple, is full of excellent morals, which, though not obtrusive, are none the less effectual.

"Ward's Cross" is a second story included in this volume. It is of good average merit, but not especially impressive.

The Climax. By Charles Felton Pidgin. 335 pages, 12 mo. Boston: C. M. Clark Publishing Co. Price $1.50.

"Blennerhassett" was the first, this is the second in the series of documents designed to rehabilitate the memory of Aaron Burr. The first was convincing, both are interesting, but the present remarkable book will hardly enhance Mr. Pidgin's reputation. It is a recital of events which would be considerably more interesting, were one not continually reminded that the statements made are false.

Letters From a Self-Made Merchant to His Son. By George Horace Lorimer. 312 pages, 12 mo. Boston:

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From "Letters from a Self-made Merchant to his Son." Small, Maynard & Co., Publishers.

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Described in a sub-title as "A collection of letters written by John Graham, head of the home of Graham & Company, Pork Packers in Chicago, and familiarly known 'on Change' as 'Old Gorgon Graham', to his son, Pierrepont, facetiously known to his intimates as 'Piggy.'"

These letters ran for some time in the Saturday Evening Post of which Mr. Lorimer is editor. So successful were they there, that they were de-

manded in book form and ten thousand copies were sold before publication. Full of common sense and typical American humor, one cannot fail to appreciate the entire practicability, as well as enjoy the entertaining story that is told.

The volume is illustrated with unusual skill and close sympathy with the text.

Richard Gordon. By Alexander Black 506 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Lothrop Publishing Co Price $1.50.

The story of "Richard Gordon" develops in New York City, bringing out a character notable for many qualities which arouse and hold the reader's sympathies throughout. Not only the sympathies, for there are scenes of vivid interest portrayed with extraordinary power and virility.

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A Leave of Absence. By John Calvin Goddard. 220 pages, 12 mo. Boston: The Pilgrim Press.

The volume opens with a preface. "Look Before You Leap," which so disparages both the author and his book that one is naturally prejudiced thereby against a work which, save for a frequent and conscious facetiousness, is interesting and profitable reading.

The Mediterranean, Palestine, Greece, Rome, and the principal countries of Europe were visited and the salient features of each and all, as they struck the thoughtful sight-seer, are written of here. The author's experiences were many and he relates and describes with real enthusiasm .

Norwood, or Village Life in New England. By Henry Ward Beecher. 550 pages, 12 mo. Boston: The Pilgrim Press. Price $1.50.

This is a very famous novel, written in 1866 by Mr. Beecher, after a special agreement with Mr. Robert Bonner of the New York Ledger, in which publication it appeared first, as a serial.

It is a somewhat lengthy story, covering many scenes and phases of life, yet all designed to bring out a true picture of characteristic life in a New England village. The merits of the work have been discussed many times. There is no doubt of its power and truth and it is well balanced as well. This new edition will be welcomed by many including those who read it thirty-six years ago.

A World's Shrine. By Virginia W. Johnson. 278 pages, 12 mo. New York: A. S. Barnes & Co Price $1.20.

The lake and the vicinity of Como, in Italy, by reason of its picturesque beauty, its historic associations and its permanent popularity, deserves, in the author s opinion, description as "A World's Shrine."

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Eagle Blood. By James Creelman. 470 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Lothrop Publishing Co. Price $1.50.

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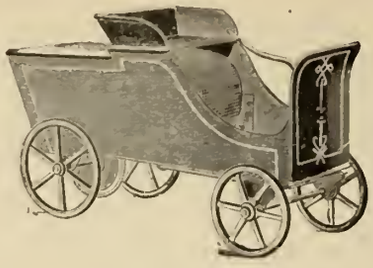

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CHRISTMAS.

(Margaret E. Sangster.)

We love to think of Bethlehem,
That little mountain town
To which on earth's first Christmas Day
Our blessed Lord came down.
A lowly manger for his bed,
The cattle near in stall,
There, cradled close in Mary's arms,
He slept, the Lord of all.

If we had been in Bethlehem,
We, too, had hasted fain
To see the Babe whose little face
Knew neither care nor pain.
Like any little child of ours
He came unto his own.
Though Cross and shame before him stretched
His pathway to his throne.

If we had dwelt in Bethlehem,
We would have followed fast,
And where the star had led our feet
Have knelt ere dawn was past.
Our gifts, our songs, our prayers had been
An offering, as he lay,
The blessed Babe of Bethlehem,
In Mary's arms that day.

Now breaks the latest Christmas morn!
Again the angels sing,
And far and near the children throng,
Their happy hymns to bring.
All heaven is stirred! All earth is glad!
Far down the shining way
The Lord who came to Bethlehem
Comes yet on Christmas Day.

THE HOME AND WORKSHOP OF CHRIST.

Notes of a Visit to Nazareth.

By Rev. Geo. M. Stone, D.D.

Nazareth is situated in a little nook in the hills of Galilee, which is invested with the interest, not simply of the occasional presence of Christ, but which was his earthly home for thirty years. Approaching it from the plain of Esdraelon, we crossed near the village some ranges of hills forming a part of the girdle which surrounds it. The evangelist Luke speaks of the brow or edge of the hill on which the city was built. This slope, to which the houses seemed to cling, emerged somewhat suddenly into view, so that its picturesque natural features and sacred associations took us captive at once. No spot in Palestine, not even Jerusalem, moved us more deeply. This was his earthly dwelling-place during all those changes which human life undergoes from infancy to manhood. The ineffable mystery of the Incarnation centres here as nowhere else. He dwelt here as the seasons came and went until thirty springs had sown these mountain-sides and valleys with their flowers and thirty autumns had yielded their golden harvests. Houses have vanished, streets may have been changed, but the moulding of the landscape is the same as when He wrought here an humble artisan, known among the neighbors as Jesus, the Son of Joseph the Carpenter. One feature cannot be greatly changed, and that is the single fountain which supplies Nazareth with water. It is called the "Virgin's Fountain," and flows at present from the original spring in the Greek Church to a stone sarcophagus, from the orifices of which the women and girls of Nazareth fill their jars to-day. This is the traditional spot of the angelic annunciation to Mary of the honor to be bestowed upon her as the Mother of Jesus. There can be no doubt that she was often here, and that Jesus often paused here to drink.

Toward evening we saw groups of Nazareth girls filling their vessels, and, as the process is somewhat slow, it continues until late at night. Our camp was near the spot, and the first sound in the early morning heard by some of our party was the unseemly wrangling of those who were disputing the right of first taking water from the fountain. How many generations have trodden these beaten paths to the spring since the Master saw it for the last time? To how many who now visit it does it suggest the "water of life" which He alone can give?" While at first Nazareth would seem to be a secluded place shut in from the world, a short walk brings one to a wide and inspiring outlook. From the western hill-top the panorama is rich, both in natural beauty and historic interest. The plain of Esdraelon, flecked with silver gleams of the river Kishon, lies at the south. Eastward, Tabor stands among the mountains, and Little Hermon not far away, while the line of the hills of Moab, across the Jordan, is in sight. Carmel and the Mediterranean, in the west, spoke also to the mind and heart of Christ from this tower of observation, while the basin of the Sea of Galilee, the scene of his future labors, was also in sight.

Nazareth was chosen as the home of the Son of Man for reasons divinely wise. His connection with this spot greatly overshadowed his birth at Bethlehem. He is in history and in our hearts as "Jesus of Nazareth." This was the inscription written upon his cross, and re-written in his world-wide fame. Speaking from heaven to the persecuting Saul of Tarsus, He says, "I am Jesus of Nazareth, whom thou persecutest." He seems to have coveted the brand of the reproach of this obscure and mean town. He identified Himself locally with the deepest shame of our lot as sinners. It was thought strange during his public ministry that outcasts, the representatives of the neglected and degraded classes, were drawn to Him. But this was the kind of people He had seen in this very town. Nathaniel, who lived only a few miles distant, and who expressed the current estimate of his time, asked if "any good thing" could come out of it. We cannot determine the occasion of its bad name. Galilee was itself a province despised by the Judean Jews, and this was the most despised corner in it. It signifies much that Joseph and Mary lived here without being contaminated. Here in this arid soil, the consummate flower of maidenly purity struck its roots and exhaled its fragrance. Here love burned between two simple, faithful hearts, with a steady, chaste and undying flame, and vows were made and kept in trial, which brought out the manly delicacy of Joseph, and the patient ever joyful heart of Mary.

Yet both of these were Nazarenes, sharing when they went abroad the ill-repute of their town. In Nazareth however, they erected and sustained a religious home, kept alive the fire of holy worship and cherished the hope of Israel. Faith can make a sanctuary anywhere. Daniel makes one in Babylon. John finds a place for one on lonely, sea-girt Patmos. The sailor may find it at the mast-head, and the miner in the depths of the earth in a cavern of toil. There was much more, humanly speaking, to draw Joseph and Mary to Bethlehem as a home, than there was in Nazareth. The echoes of David's harp were there. The fields of Boaz where Ruth gleaned were near; and so was Rachel's grave. It was only six miles from the Holy City, where they would have been near to its exalted privileges. And yet it is written that when Joseph was in perplexity as to his course, on the return from Egypt, being "warned of God in a dream, he

turned aside into the parts of Galilee, and he came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets, He "shall be called a Nazarene."

Thus it came to pass that the world's Redeemer had his earthly training in a province seventy miles distant from Jerusalem, under the ban of the contempt and scorn of his countrymen. He not only took upon Himself our human flesh, but his home was fixed among a people who had touched the lowest point of bad repute. Its obscurity at least was grateful to Christ. We may any of us thank God for the quiet of early life. Full soon the busy days come on, when increasing cares render reflection difficult, and make repose a rare privilege. How rich in opportunity were these slowly-passing years, removed from the fever-heat of a thronged metropolis, and the nameless frictions of a great commercial centre!

The life of the Lord here was not, however, a narrow, unobservant one. This mountain-girdled village was on one of the caravan routes from the Mediterranean sea-coast to Damascus. Men of various nationalities passed through the streets of this terraced hamlet. When He, the Master, came down from it to begin his public ministry, it was said of Him that "He knew all men and needed not that any should testify of man; for He knew what was in man."

This knowledge was not simply intuitive, but the result of wide and accurate observation. He was a traveller also, going from the age of twelve, three times a year to the feasts at Jerusalem, thus making in eighteen years fifty-four of these memorable visits. The study of men at Nazareth gave Him the key to human life everywhere, for man has similar hopes and fears, joys and sorrows everywhere. "As in water face answereth to face, so the heart of man to man." The world was just as much to men in that small hamlet as in far-off Rome, where a single banquet of a senator might cost all that Nazareth was worth. All human changes and vicissitudes took place in that restricted scene. Marriage and birth, life and death, loss and gain, success and failure, all were before the eyes of Jesus there.

He manifested personal interest in his fellow-townsmen, by returning there to bear witness before them of his saving mission. Indeed the company of the Apostles, with the single exception of Judas, was chosen from Galilee. The fisherman, and the tax-gatherer of this despised district were preferred by Him to those who dwelt in Jerusalem. His holy life and sacrificial death have rolled away the reproach from Nazareth. The same alchemy which can transmute a scar into a crown, has changed Nazareth from a name of dishonor into one of glory. Its enduring fame fills the earth and heaven.

Let us now seek in the teaching of Christ for illustrations of Divine truth drawn from the workshop at Nazareth. The old neighbors to whom his face and form were familiar when He returned to them, after His fame was noised abroad, said "From whence hath this man these things? and what wisdom is this which is given unto Him, that even such mighty works are wrought by his hands? Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary, the brother of James, and Joses, and of Juda, and Simon? And are not his sisters here with us? And they were offended at Him."

The greater part of his earthly life was spent in manual labor. He thus identified Himself with the lot of the majority of the race who must always of necessity work with their hands. His mechanical career puts Him into sympathy with the vast company of workmen and workwomen of the world. The details of his work were suggestive. He wrought in wood, changing its original form into that which serves the uses of men. What did He make? Everything perhaps, from the door which was to open and close, for many comers and goers, to the bier which was to bear forth the dead to their final resting-place. Making a door may seem to some unsuggestive, but it was not we may be sure, to Him who said, "I am the door, by me if any man enter in, he shall go in and out and find pasture."

E P Hammond

Would not He think of the hands that would be upon it, and the various occasions upon which it would open and close? From his heavenly throne He said:

"Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with Me."

Then the old handicraft comes into the Sermon on the Mount:

"Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man which built his house upon a rock. And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock. And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand. And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it."

Did he ever make contracts for building with some neighbor who wished a tower but who was more ambitious than his means would allow?

"For which of you, intending to build a tower, sitteth not down first, and counteth the cost, whether he have sufficient to finish it? Lest haply, after he hath laid the foundation, and is not able to finish it, all that behold it begin to mock him, saying, This man began to build, and was not able to finish."

Let us not forget that He called his own body a temple. "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it again." Here He spoke of the templelike construction of his own physical organism. How quietly in the retirement of this Galilean village grew the temple of his human character. Of the temple of Soloman it was said: "And the house, when it was in building, was built of stone made ready

before it was brought thither; so that there was neither hammer nor axe nor any tool of iron heard in the house, while it was building." So without tumult or noise rose the symmetrical proportions of the life of the Man Christ Jesus." It would seem as if He clung even to the last hours of his earthly teaching to the workshop at Nazareth. In his farewell talk He says:

"Let not your heart be troubled; ye believe in God, believe also in Me. In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you."

He is the Carpenter, still, building for us in those "pure spaces clothed with living beams" and filling them with homes furnished and adorned for those He loves and rewards.

REV. EDWARD PAYSON HAMMOND, M. A.

Rev. Mr. Hammond, whose fame as an evangelist is almost universal, and who has been God's instrument in the conversion of a host of children, was born in Ellington, Conn., Sept. 1, 1831, the son of Elijah and Esther Hammond, both of old New England ancestry.

Mr. Hammond thirteen years ago removed to Hartford and his home has since been here. A large portion of his time has been spent in travel, including several years abroad.

His academic preparation was at Phillips' Academy, Andover, Mass., and in 1854 he entered Williams College, graduating in 1858. Following his graduation he entered Union Theological Seminary, New York.

While in Phillips Academy he entered with zeal into his life long work, that of saving souls, and without neglecting his studies, he earnestly and successfully worked to save men from their sins.

In 1859, he went abroad, intending to make but a short stay, but Providence directed him to the Free Church College, Edinburgh, Scotland, whither he went for study. There his desire for spiritual work was irrepressible, and he was sent to a church at Musselburgh to labor with the people there. He introduced American melodies and inquiry meetings among both children and adults, and the blessing on his work was marvellous.

From that time his services as an evangelist were in great demand, and great multitudes were addressed by him in Scotland, and soon after, through an interpreter, he addressed large meetings in Italy.

After an absence of two years he returned to America and began evangelistic services in Boston in September, 1861, followed by other similar meetings throughout New England.

In 1862 he labored with marked success in Canada, and also preached in New York city.

In 1863 he was ordained as an evangelist by the Presbytery of New York, and with that body he has ever since been connected. From this time on he labored with great earnestness and success throughout the country, associating with Mr. Moody in Chicago, in 1864.

In 1866 Mr. Hammond was married to Miss Eliza Overton of Towanda, Penn., and together they took a trip abroad, visiting among other places Palestine, Egypt, and the scenes of his earlier labors in Scotland. Later, in the pursuit of his calling, his travels have taken him into British Columbia and Alaska, and also to Norway, Sweden, Ireland and the Continent.

Mr. Hammond is still active as an evangelist and as a writer on religious themes. He has written over a hundred books and tracts, many of them having a very large circulation. Among them are "Conversion of Children," "Jesus the Way," "Sketches of Palestine," "The Better Life and How to Find It," "Roger's Travels," "Early Conversion," "Reaper and Harvest," "Gems of Praise," etc.

Rev. I. W. Hathaway, D. D., of New York, a conservative minister in the Presbyterian Church, has said that he believed that Mr. Hammond had, during his long career as an evangelist, been the agent under God, of leading more souls to Christ than any other person now living.

Mr. Hammond is a gentleman of marked personality. Physically as well as mentally, he is alert and active. He is esteemed, at home and abroad, no less for his high personal traits than for his distinguished services in the advancement of Christianity throughout the world.

FREEHAND DRAWING CLASS.

THE HILLYER INSTITUTE.

The Hartford Young Men's Christian Association has successfully conducted educational classes for many years. Up to ten years ago, however, it was unable to develop to any great extent this very important part of its work. Its present condition and its opportunity for growth were made possible by the erection of the new building and the special provision made for this department now known as the Hillyer Institute. On December 22d, 1892, Mr. Appleton R. Hillyer and Miss Clara F. Hillyer, presented the Association with an endowment fund of fifty thousand dollars, the income from which is used for this work. This gift was made in memory of their deceased father, General Charles T. Hillyer, the terms of the gift being as follows:

"As a memorial to our beloved father, you are hereby offered the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars or the equivalent in acceptable securities for the purpose of establishing a department of your work to be known as the Hillyer Institute of the Young Men's Christian Association of Hartford; the object of which shall be to promote manual, industrial, commercial and art education—in art, more especially the useful arts—and to inculcate habits of industry and thrift. The only condition made by us being that the income only of the Fund be used to pay expenses of administration of the Institute in providing lectures, competent instruction in the several classes, and proper superintendence, and in the purchasing of supplies, etc., directly connected with it."

Because of this fund the Association has been able to teach a greater variety of subjects and to add industrial classes which are greatly needed in this city where so many young men are engaged in mechanical pursuits.

The Y. M. C. A. building is favorably located for the convenience of students living either in the city or its suburbs. Eight lines of trolley cars pass the door, and all of the others are but three blocks distant. The Union Railway Station is near by, being within five minutes walk of our class rooms.

MECHANICAL DRAWING CLASS.

A good equipment has been secured for the students. The class rooms are well ventilated, lighted by incandescent lights, chairs are comfortable,

and the tools and apparatus are of standard make.

In the architectural and mechanical drawing room are cabinets containing lockers for drawing instruments and material, also a place for the drawing boards. There are forty adjustable drawing stands in this room.

The carpentry shop contains a jig

MR. GEORGE A. GREGG,
Educational Director.

saw, lathe and twenty-four work benches. The benches are five feet long, two feet wide, and two feet and eight inches high, and each one has a vise, and two drawers. An assortment of tools, of standard makes, necessary for practical work, is furnished the students.

The forging shop equipment consists of six large portable forges (21x33 inch pan), six one hundred and twenty-five pound steel-faced anvils, a work bench with blacksmith's vise, sledges, hardies, set hammers and other small tools.

The plumbing class occupies a large room provided with work benches, furnaces, solder pots, wiping tools, and other necessary equipment.

One recitation room with plenty of blackboard space, is furnished with arm chairs. The chairs are the same as those usually found in college class rooms, having a shelf upon one arm to hold books or writing material.

The penmanship and bookkeeping room is equipped with double school desks which are of ample size for the work required.

indebted to the International Committee for the present condition of their educational departments. Among other things accomplished by the Committee is the movement known as International Examinations, which includes, (1) the establishment and maintenance of uniform standard courses, (2) the holding of annual simultaneous examinations, and (3) the granting of certificates. The aim is to encourage the individual student, to aid local Associations in planning and operating definite lines of work, to raise the efficiency of work in each subject to a recognized standard, and thus greatly improve this department.

Students in the Institute are invited at the close of the season to participate in these examinations. Those receiving a mark of seventy-five per cent. or above are entitled to a certificate.

FORGING CLASS.

One of the most important features of the closing exercises each year has been the exhibition of students' work. At first it was held in the large mechanical drawing room. This soon proved too small and later the recreation room on the first floor was used

WOODWORKING CLASS.

The electricity room has the apparatus needed to pursue this study intelligently. A part of the electrical equipment consists of measuring instruments, one-half horse power Crocker & Wheeler motor, X-ray induction coil, storage cells, etc. An electrical library has been purchased for the students.

The Young Men's Christian Associations of North America are greatly

for this purpose. Later an adjoining room was also found necessary to properly display the work, and in recent exhibitions a greater part of the large reception hall was also appropriated for the same purpose. There are exhibits of the cabinet work, forging, plumbing, geometry, bookkeeping, electrical apparatus, penmanship, architectural, mechanical and free-hand drawing.

This exhibition is annually visited by a large number who manifest much interest in the exhibits.

To properly meet the requirements of the students, in most classes individual instruction has been found necessary as well as very desirable. The man who can spend time upon his work outside of the class room is not kept back by others less fortunate. There is no waiting for anyone to catch up. Each lesson presents an opportunity for unlimited advancement, and absence on account of sickness or other cause will not keep the student from taking up the work at the point of interruption.

Any young man, sixteen years of age or over, of good character, without regard to color, nationality or religious belief, may enter these classes by becoming a member of the Association. The membership fee, payable annually, is two dollars. New members pay in addition an entrance fee of one dollar. Boys from eleven to seventeen years of age may enter certain classes by becoming junior members of the Association at a cost of but one dollar for a year. The small class fees, which are extra, are given on application.

When a young man has completed any of the graded courses, i. e. architectural, or mechanical drawing, woodwork, forging, or bookkeeping, he is entitled to a Departmental Award, upon passing the required examination. This examination may be written, oral, or shop work, as the subject may require.

Certificates of attendance will be given to all students who have been present at seventy-five per cent. of the class sessions.

The Institute makes the following liberal offer to its students. The member of each class having the highest per cent. of attendance and showing the greatest improvement in his work, will be given an advanced course in the same study or may take any other subject free of charge for one season. This includes regular membership in the Association.

During the past, many of the students have secured good positions as a result of their work and study at the Institute, and often business men call on the management for young men to fill positions. Special care is taken to recommend those who are best qualified, and efforts are made through the Employment Department to obtain positions for such.

This Institute is now well established and has fully demonstrated its value to the community and is a lasting and most practical memorial to General Charles T. Hillyer, in whose name it was founded.

SUFFIELD STREET BAPTIST.

A teachers' meeting was held at the home at the home of the superintendent Wednesday evening, December 3. Many things concerning the welfare of the school were discussed.

The physical culture class, under the direction of Mr. Goldsmith, of the Y. M. C. A., holds regular weekly meetings and the members are already receiving benefit from the practice.

The Dorcas Society will hold a supper and sale on December 16. Many things suitable for Christmas will be offered for sale during the afternoon and evening, a candy table will attract attention and the Junior girls will have a doll booth. The proceds are to go toward a new carpet. Already quite a nice sum of money has been given by the friends of the Chapel for this object.

A barrel will be packed Friday December 12, to be sent South. The Dorcas Society has been sewing for a colored girl in one of our schols.

The Christmas music and other plans are already in the works.

We are pleased to have with us again R. Dale Smith, as he proves such a help in the musical work.

FIRST BAPTIST.

The Young Men's Steadfast Club held its first regular meeting for the season, November 16. The Young Ladies' Mission Circle being also present by invitation. As an introduction to the outline study of India, which the club is to follow this winter, Rev. R. Mapleson gave a very interesting talk on the Hindu young man, bringing out by striking illustrations. his disadvantages under the present English government, and the influence of Christian teaching and thought.

Our Mothers have decided to do some real missionary work, and are undertaking the education of a little girl in India. For this purpose we have procured mite boxes which we feel will be well filled with pennies, aided by our prayers.

The annual meeting of the Sunday-school will occur Sunday, December 28.

Several of our members attended the reception given by the Olivet Baptist Church to its new pastor Rev. S. S. Hastings. He was given a royal welcome by the Baptists of Hartfard.

Our church has joined with all the other Protestant churches in extending an invitation to Dr. Campbell Morgan to hold a series of meetings in Hartford. Dr. Morgan will come immediately after Easter.

At the last meeting of the church, a vote was passed on recommendation of the Church Committee, inviting Rev. Raymond Maplesden to assist the pastor in a series of special meetings. The date will be the earliest that Mr. Maplesden can come. He is an old friend and we shall have a series of home-like and helpful meetings we feel sure.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

The first meeting of the Men's League was held Thursday, November 20, at the Memorial House. Lieutenant Commander Henry S. Knapp, of the U. S. Navy, gave an informal talk on "Naval Life."

His address on the development of the Navy, the uses of electricity, the improvement in its great guns, and the careful training of its seamen, proved timely and very interesting.

Miss Laidlow, the contralto of the church quartet, sang two songs very acceptably.

The Daughters of the King furnished a lunch and a social hour was enjoyed.

Mr. Frank Chapman of New York, Curator of the N. Y. Museum of Natural History, gave a lecture on birds, with stereopticon views, Monday evening, November 24, at the Memorial House. Those who attended were well repaid as the lecture was very interesting and the views excellent.

By invitation of the Good Shepherd Chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, members of the Brotherhood in this city attended a service at the Church of the Good Shepherd on Sunday, November 30, at 4 o'clock. Rev. Mr. Goodwin, of Christ Church preached the sermon. The rector was also assisted by Rev. Mr. Huntington of St. James Church.

Before the church service, a conference of the Brotherhood Chapters was held at the Memorial House.

Sunday, November 30, was the exact anniversary of our late rector's death, Rev. Cornelius G. Bristol. The rector alluded to his life in his sermon, and spoke of our learning to live better lives from his example.

Preparations are being made for the Christmas time. The children will have an entertainment and tree as usual with a supper and carol singing.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER.

A novel fair, given under the auspices of the Ladies' Benevolent Society, on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, December 2-3, was a great success. The vestry was filled with booths and was very tastefully decorated throughout. Each booth was named after some novel which had some bearing on the kind of goods in each booth. A special feature of this fair was a "country store," conducted by the men of the parish, at which everything in the grocery line could be bought. A turkey supper was served Tuesday and a salad supper on Wednesday, which were well patronized, judging by the small quantity of eatables left over. A large sum of money was realized and will be used to further the work of the society.

Sunday, November 30, was observed in all the branches of the church as "Rally Sunday," all the old members and friends were invited to come. At the morning service, Dr. Adams preached an appropriate sermon and there was a very large congregation present.

At the session of the Sunday-school, there were addresses by Dr. Adams, Mr. Lincoln, the superintendent, and members of several classes in the school. The members present answered to the roll call, after which the history of the past year was read, which showed what had been done during the year.

The meeting of the Young People's Guild was conducted along the same lines as were the other services.

Sunday evening, November 23, at 7 o'clock, Mrs. Burnell gave her very interesting and helpful impersonation of a high caste Hindoo woman. The attendance was large and all who came were fully repaid by the interesting way in which Mrs. Burnell portrayed the life of a woman who was converted to Christianity through her son.

The regular monthly vesper service will be held Sunday evening, December 21, at 7:30 p. m. Special music is being arranged.

NEW BRITAIN AVENUE MISSION.

The different committees are very busy preparing for the annual Christmas entertainment which occurs on New Year's night. The Sunday-school have commenced rehearsing special music for that night.

Mrs. Roys of Benton street, one of our members, has moved to Windsor avenue.

The following are those who have spoken to us since last writing: Rev. W. W. Breckenridge, R. W. Fulton of the Theological Seminary and Rev. Mr. Barker, assistant pastor of the Fourth Church.

FIRST METHODIST.

The Epworth League gave on November 19, a musical romance, which was greatly enjoyed by all present. An historical paper of the League, prepared by Messrs Dwight North and Dr. T. D. Esgate, was one of the principal features of the evening.

The past two weeks we, as a church, have been greatly afflicted by the death of two of our members. Miss Florence Berry and C. Northrop Knox.

Miss Berry had recently come into our League. Her death being so sudden, was a great blow to us. She was very regular at all of the church services, was very quiet in her ways and beloved by all who knew her.

Mr. Knox's death was not so sudden. He was a young man of great promise. For many weeks he has suffered greatly, but through it all had been very patient and resigned.

WETHERSFIELD METHODIST.

The Harvest Supper given by the Epworth League in November, was a decided success.

The church services are held in the Sunday-school room adjoining the church, owing to the scarcity of coal.

Our people were very much pleased to have with them recently, their former pastor, Rev. B. F. Meredith, now of South Meriden.

The Sunday-school is now preparing the Christmas exercises.

ASYLUM AVENUE BAPTIST.

The meetings conducted by the Rev. Mr. Maplesden during November, were well attended, and the Spirit's power was felt. An early morning prayer meeting of the Sunday school teachers was held on Decision Day, and at the session of the school a large number of the scholars manifested a desire to be numbered among the Lord's followers. The last missionary meeting of the Senior Endeavor Society was one of interest, Miss Watson, from the First Baptist, giving a talk which echoed the missionary thoughts of the Silver Bay Conference. The body of Mrs. Seger, a former attendant, was brought from Chelsea for interment in Cedar Hill. Dr. Stone, in his usual tender way, recalled her life among us with her children, some of whom were active in Sunday-school and young people's circles.

The first Sunday in December brought five new members by letter.

UNITY CHURCH.

On the afternoon of Saturday, November 15, a theatre party was given to the Sunday-school to take the place of the picnic which had to be given up. Over eighty attended the performance of Huckleberry Finn at Parsons' theatre, after the performance the party adjourned to the church where supper was served. It was agreed by all present that it was one of the most successful entertainments ever given by the school. The sewing circle holds its meetings for the present with Mrs. Frank Lester, Morris street, and is making preparations for a sale.

Rev. Charles E. St. John, the Secretary of the A. U. A., preached a fine sermon on "The practical application of the teachings of Jesus," on the morning of November 30. In the Sunday-school he gave an interesting talk on the Growth of Unitarianism.

NEWINGTON CONGREGATIONAL.

The Ladies' Sewing Society sent a barrel of clothing and bedding, valued at $75, to a minister in this state.

$25 has been sent to the Orphan Fund in India, from the Sunday-school.

Mrs. Abby Snell Burnell gave a very interesting lecture on India, in the church, recently. Mrs. Burnell and Miss Virginia Dox spent Thanksgiving at the parsonage.

The Church Aid Society recently gave a very interesting entertainment in the form of tableaux. $23 were added to the treasury.

On December 12, this society gave an oyster supper in the chapel and at the same time the cheerful givers held a fair upstairs. Ten cents admission was charged to the fair and entertainment. Supper was served on the European plan.

Rehearsals are now being held for the Christmas concert.

Our church has lost a valued member, Deacon Heman Whittlesey, who was connected with the church for sixty-four years. He was laid to rest November 25, 1902.

TRINITY CHURCH, WETHERSFIELD.

The "sale" given by eight young ladies of the parish, was a success. They realized the sum of eighty-five dollars.

Ex-Mayor Harbison addressed the Tuesday Night Club, on the evening of December 2. The subject was, "Municipal Government." The address was very interesting and a vote of thanks was extended.

The Sunday-school children are practicing the Christmas carols.

WINDSOR AVENUE CONGREGATIONAL.

The Sunday-school teachers' tea was held Thursday, December 11. Dr. Ballentine of Springfield, addressed the teachers on the Geographical Study of the Bible. Teachers of the neighboring churches were invited to meet with us.

The pastor's classes for the instruction of the children in religious matters have been formed for the winter. They had a social Friday afternoon, December 12.

Mrs. Burnell gave an impersonation of a High Caste Hindoo woman at a recent Thursday evening in place of the regular prayer meeting. A large number attended and her story was very interesting to all.

At the last consecration meeting of the C. E. Society, two new members were admitted into the society.

Mr. H. E. B. Case of the Seminary, will lead the next missionary meeting of the society.

The minister's meeting was held December 1, at this church. Lunch was served under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society.

This society has recently sent a box of clothing and a sum of money to a missionary in the West.

The Children's Mission Band has resumed its meetings this year under the leadership of Mrs. Spencer, Mrs. King and Miss Bliss. The children are being instructed in missions and are getting ready for an entertainment and fair to raise money for their work.

WETHERSFIELD AVENUE CONGREGATIONAL.

The progress of our Sunday-school is remarkable. About twenty at this time are entitled to bibles for perfect attendance through the year.

There are a great many who will have diplomas at the end of the year for learning verses of the Bible.

The boys of the school have been formed into a club called Clover Leaf Messenger Corps, and we expect great things from them. They gave a mystery sale at the last social of the Ladies' Aid. December 8, they are to have a supper.

Plans are in progress for our Christmas concert.

Badges or pins were presented to the C. L. M. C. by the secretary.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Noble, December 4.

WINDSOR CONGREGATIONAL.

By the sale of the old chapel and some contributions, the debt on the new parish house has been reduced from $3,493 to $2,450, and a still further reduction is looked for in the near future. We think that we have a beautiful building in return for the money expended and its central location is more adapted to the needs of our church work, than the site of the old chapel.

A concert by the choir was given in the new building, December 2.

Our church has also been building a new parsonage. It is hoped that it will be ready for occupancy by New Year's.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

Our Loyal Workers' Society held its annual meeting for the election of officers and committees December 5. But one change was made in the officers. The vice-president, J. Edward Lay, feeling inclined to resign, his place was filled by the election of Hubert Colton.

Several changes were made in the committees, thereby relieving some who have been faithful.

Tuesday evening, December 16, we expect will be given to the Rev. Ephraim Elias Vishanoff of Macedonia, who will lecture on his native country, appearing in his native costume.

We hope for a good attendance.

SOUTH PARK METHODIST.

A very successful sale was held by the young ladies of the Whatsoever Circle of King's Daughters, in the chapel, Friday, December 5, afternoon and evening. On account of the storm on that day, the sale was continued the next afternoon and evening.

At the last regular monthly meeting of the Epworth League, there was a very interesting debate on the subject: "Resolved, That the government should own and operate the coal mines and railroads." The debaters for the affirmative were Mr. S. B. Palmer and Mr. F. E. Briggs; for the negative, Mr. W. B. Ober and Mr. P. H. Ober. The judges decided for the negative.

The ladies of the Epworth Circle are to give an entertainment on the evening of December 10, entitled, "The Graduation Exercises of Burlisk College, Class 1925."

The service on Sunday evening, December 7, consisted of a praise service, with special music by the choir, and a short address on "Life's Gleanings."

On Thursday evening, December 11, there will be a union prayer-meeting of all the Methodist churches in First Church.

FARMINGTON AVENUE CONGREGATIONAL.

Mrs. Abby Snell Burnell, who is impersonating the high caste Hindoo woman and relating the life and condition of many of her sex in far off India, pleased a large audience on Sunday evening, November 30.

The social committee gave up its Conversation Masquerade planned recently, owing to so many counter attractions.

The Chinese Sunday-school will hold its annual Christmas entertainment, Monday evening, December 22.

Rev. D. D. Marsh, of the Wethersfield Avenue Congregational church, exchanged with our pastor, Mr. Love, on a recent Sunday.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, EAST HARTFORD.

Almost all of the $1,000, desired this year in reduction of the church debt, has either been received or pledged, everyone taking hold of the burden with enthusiasm.

The quarterly conference of the Sunday-school committee, chose officers for the ensuing year as follows: Superintendent, C. Henry Olmsted; first assistant, H. B. Williams; second assistant, Miss Annie E. Olmsted; primary superintendent, Mrs. J. R. Tucker; assistant, Miss Ethel P. Rist; secretary, Miss Mary S. Burnham; treasurer, W. S. Burnham; librarian, C. Henry Williams; registrar, Ray S. Gaines; assistant registrar, Arthur H. Gaines.

The souvenir volume of the Bi-Centennial of the church is in the hands of the printer, and it is hoped will be ready for the holidays.

MORGAN STREET CHAPEL.

The Sunday evening services at the Morgan Street Mission re-opened November 16, with special music, and an address by Rev. W. W. Ranney. These meetings are strictly evangelistic in character and are designed for young people who have dropped out of Sunday-school, and also for the older people of the neighborhood. Children under fourteen are not admitted unless accompanied by their parents.

Many of those who attend are Jews, a few are Roman Catholics, but all give most respectful attention to the speaking and sing the gospel hymns with great fervor.

The Kitchen Garden class enjoyed a Thanksgiving party, November 26. The girls belonging to the class set the tables and acted as waitresses, and all was carried out in the most approved style, thus serving as an object lesson, as well as a festive occasion.

The Loyalty Club also celebrated Thanksgiving with a supper and social hour. This club is very popular among the young women and its good results are very apparent.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, WEST HARTFORD.

On Sunday evening, November 23, a union Thanksgiving service was held in the church auditorium. Rev. Mr. Hollingshead delivered the address and special music was rendered by the choir, including a solo by Miss Olive Tyrrell.

At a business meeting held on Sunday evening, December 7, the C. E. Society elected officers for the ensuing year.

Prof. C. M. Geer gave his first talk before the Mission Study Class, in the chapel, Sunday evening, December 7.

The C. E. Society has appropriated $20 for the support of an orphan in India, $10 for the Forward Movement in Porto Rico, $5 each, toward Dr. Hamilton's work, the Kindergarten for the Blind, and the Mount Carmel Home.

MEMORIAL BAPTIST.

The officers of the B. Y. P. U. for the next six months are as follows: President, A. E. Fish; vice-president, George Price; secretary, Miss Mabel Steves; treasurer, Herbert Myers.

The meetings for the study of the Bible School lessons have been resumed, and are very helpful to the teachers.

A Christmas Cantata is in preparation by the children and young people of the Sunday-school.

BLOOMFIELD METHODIST.

On November 17, the Epworth League held a business meeting at the home of Mr. Wilbur Granger, to reelect officers, which are as follows: Miss Alice Goodwin, president; Miss Gertrude Granger, first vice-president; Miss Julia Granger, second vice-president; Mr. Charles Rathbun, third vice-president; Mr. Charles Rathbun, secretary; Miss Bertha Goodwin, treasurer. After the business was transacted, a social time was enjoyed and refreshments were served. Miss Bertha Goodwin, Mr. Charles Rathbun, and Miss Julia Granger were appointed as delegates to attend the convention of the Hartford Group, which was held at the South Park Methodist church in Hartford.

Sunday, November 30, our pastor, Rev. J. H. Knott, exchanged pulpits with the pastor of the Congregational church, Rev. William Brown.

Mr. Wilbur Granger, the superintendent of the Sunday-school, spent Sunday, November 30, in Springfield.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH.

The rector, Rev. George R. Warner, who has had quite a severe attack of Grip, has, we are happy to say, recovered, and is attending to his parish duties. During his illness Rev. Dr. Francis Goodwin preached one Sunday morning and Prof. F. S. Luther of Trinity College, the other, the evening services being taken by Mr. Heyn, a student of Trinity, who assists Mr. Warner.

The new pipe organ is at last in position and it is expected that it will be used for the first time Sunday, December 14. Mr. Charles R. Fisher has been engaged as organist.

Rev. Henry Quimby of Price Hill, Cincinnati, O., preached Sunday, December 7, and assisted Mr. Warner in the communion service.

The annual Christmas Sale and Supper of the Guild was held in the parish hall, Wednesday, December 10.

FOURTH CONGREGATIONAL.

The lectures being given by Prof. George W. Pease, of the Bible Normal College, at the teachers' meeting, are proving very valuable, and popular. At the last lecture several were present from other churches. The course has now been opened to teachers from other churches on the same terms as to our own teachers. Last month Prof. Pease lectured on "The Mind at Work." In December his topic will be "The Essential of a Right Method" and on January 5, he will speak on "The Selection and Organization of Material."

Another course in connection with the Sunday-school which is proving very popular is that taken up by the Young Men's Class under the leadership of Dr. George E. Dawson, also of the Bible Normal College. The title of the course is "Life Problems for Young Men." Both lectures by the leader and discussions by the class are carried on, and there is an increasing interest and attendance.

The Thursday evening prayer meetings have been varied this month by a hymn service, conducted by Mr. Sleeper, who chose several of the familiar hymns of the church and gave something of the story of their origin and their authors and then illustrated their special points of interest by means of the piano. The congregation then joined in singing the hymns with a new understanding of their beauty. Owing to unfavorable weather the attendance was small, but the meeting was much enjoyed. China has been chosen as the missionary subject this winter and one Thursday evening a month is to be given to its consideration. In November its physical characteristics were explained. In December we shall consider the history of China.

On the sixteenth, the annual military service was held and the church was crowded. Rev. Dr. Hall of New Britain, Chaplain of the First Regiment, preached the sermon.

Thanksgiving was observed as usual this year. The Sunday-school held its service Wednesday evening, November 26, at which appropriate hymns and responsive readings from the Scriptures were used and a Thanksgiving story told. The carol choir made its first public appearance. The children brought in food and several generous dinners were sent Thanksgiving morning to the poor of the parish.

The Yoke Fellows held their annual supper and about sixty men sat down to the tables and afterwards adjourned to the Yoke Fellows' rooms, where a splendid meeting was held.

Mrs. Abby Snell Burnell told her fascinating story, impersonating a Hindoo woman of the Brahmim caste, to a large and appreciative audience in the chapel, Friday evening, Nov. 28. She also spoke at the woman's meeting the following week. If any church in the city fails to hear Mrs. Burnell, they will miss a great treat.

Great interest is being shown in the gospel meetings for men on Tuesday evenings. Several men have recently made decisions to live better lives. The after meetings Sunday evenings were started the first week in December and the first ones give great promise for the future.

ST. PAUL'S METHODIST.

On the evening of November 12, a supper was given to the Men's Assembly of the church. There were toasts and songs, which were much enjoyed by all.

One evening in November the officers and teachers of the Sunday-school called on Mr. F. H. Turner, superintendent. Before departing, they presented him with a beautiful silver gold-lined loving cup, as a token of esteem.

A bazaar was conducted in the church the first week in December and netted about $150.

A great national Christian Endeavor campaign is now being carried on by Dr. Clark and the United Society and state officers.

On Monday, December 1, the executive officers of the Society, President Francis E. Clark, Field Secretary C. E. Eberman, Treasurer William Shaw, and Agent George B. Graff, started out on a campaign that will bring the pastors and Endeavors in fifteen of the principal cities of the country into vital touch and sympathy with the world-wide sweep of Christian Endeavor. The plan is to give an afternoon and evening to each city, with an extra Sunday thrown in in some cases. Practical conferences will be held in union work, local-society methods, practical helps, and the pastor's relation to the society. Addresses will also be given on the work at home and the work abroad, showing the needs and the possibilities of the future.

NORTH METHODIST.

Rev. D. W. Hewell, our pastor, has recovered from his severe cold and is able to fill his pulpit again. Rev. Wm. Wilkinson supplied during Mr. Howell's illness.

The Sunday-school scholars are preparing for the usual Christmas concert.

The Thanksgiving Cantata by the choir was greatly enjoyed by the large audience present.

The receipts from the Automobile Entertainment were large and netted the Society of Willing Workers nearly $300.

Rev. Mr. Howell was called to fill the pulpit for another year, by unanimous vote of the official board.

GRACE CHURCH, WINDSOR.

The Ladies Society reports a very successful fair held the 3d and 4th of this month in our parish house. The evening of the 4th, an excellent entertainment was furnished, consisting of tableaux and music.

The eave troughs and tile drains are being placed about the church edifice through the efforts of the Ladies' Society. It is believed that this will correct the dampness which has made uncomfortable for some time, the basement of the parish house.

SOUTH BAPTIST.

The Ever Ready Circle of King's Daughters, of which Mrs. William H. Rhodes is president, held a fair on Friday and Saturday afternoon and evening, December 5 and 6, in the church parlors.

After a vacancy of several months in our pastorate, since Mr. Dixon's resignation last summer, it is probable that our pulpit wil soon be occupied again. A call, upon vote of the congregation, has been extended to Rev. Frederick E. Taylor, pastor of the Central Baptist church of Williamsburg, Brooklyn. Mr. Taylor is a young man, 35 years of age and has been heard in Hartford a number of times, having been identified with Y. M. C. A. work here, to some extent. He has preached in our church and will be welcomed with satisfaction if he accepts our call.

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THE COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON.

And now the days have come again when we hear the pleasant salutation, "The compliments of the season!" And it's not an unwelcome diversion from our Yankee "H'war'yer?" which usually receives for a reply another 'H'war'yer?" No great amount of sincerity, nor much concern in that form of greeting, though sometimes there's a good fellowship feeling behind it, after all. But the Christmas season and New Year's, too, seem to inspire a more universal sense of brotherhood—it is a time of good feeling—and so there is apparently much greater cordiality expressed in our greetings at this season than any other, perhaps.

And well it might be so. The occasion for which we set apart the holy day of Christmas would inspire but little enthusiasm were it not for its universality. To "all men" came the Christ. No distinction made between Jew and Gentile and none between rich and poor. The babe in the manger was no respecter of persons, but received both shepherds and the wise men on His natal day.

And the festival of New Year's appeals to all. There's a solemnity about it, as it marks the beginning of another year. The old year gone with its achievements or its disappointments, its record for good or ill, its sorrow or happiness, its record of right or wrong living, or doing. Yet as hope springs eternal in the heart of man, it is natural that it should be inspired by New Year's day to a greater extent than usual, as it is a time to start anew and arlght, as every right minded man or woman must sincerely desire. So when we pass "the compliments of the season" to our neighbor, it signifies a mutual congratulation over the great gift of Christ to all, and a mutual desire that the new year may be started aright, and prove one of blessing. Having this in mind, let our salutations be first of all sincere, let them also be entirely cordial and let them be given to all without reserve.

OUR GOOD FRIENDS—BOOKS.

Good friends, indeed, if we choose them wisely. Dangerous companions, possibly, if we choose unwisely. A host of them to select from, yet not all to be received with open arms, or, more literally, with open minds. What a wonder that wise men of ages ago can still speak to us helpful and inspiring words; the wits among the ancients can still amuse us; the poets of long ago can still sing to us. Through the years have survived, too, because of their literary value, many books of doubtful morality and still others of undoubted immorality, but these latter are comparatively few and it is a wholesome object lesson to our authors of to-day, who aspire to be numbered among the immortals, that books of immoral tone do not long survive.

To-day, the production of books is probably greater than at any previous time in the world's history, and while many of them minister to but a passing taste, there are some of sufficient merit to be numbered among the classics of the future.

These new books deserve attention and they are in sufficient variety to satisfy every taste. In these the men of to-day speak to us of the things of to-day. Some of them delve into the things of the more or less remote past and some attempt to portray the more or less remote future; some take us on travels, others into the realms of science and art; some take us into the midst of nature, others bring us close to God. And so by verse or prose they talk to us and we are glad to listen.

That there is to be a concerted movement to reestablish the army canteen under provisions which will permit the sale of liquor to the soldiers is everywhere apparent. The first public step in this direction was taken when Brig. Gen. Funston made his annual report to the War Department and now General Corbin, Adjutant General of the Army comes out with an emphatic statement in favor of the canteen which shall be practically a saloon. "The restoration of the exchange, as it existed, prior to th act of February 2, 1901, prohibiting the sale of beer, is desired and urged by the great majority of officers and men and by none more than those of pronounced temperance views," are the words of General Corbin. It has long been appreciated that the army officials were prejudiced against the reformed canteen and it is known that every effort will be made to induce the Senators and Representatives to repeal the law referred to. The argument will be used, probably with considerable effect, that the members of Congress find it necessary to permit the sale of liquor in the national Capitol and if that be the case it is not consistent for them to prohibit it at army posts. General Miles is believed to hold a directly opposite view to the Adjutant General, but General Miles is out of favor and his sphere of influence is ended. If the temperance workers of the country desire to hold the victory they have gained, they can do it only by continuous and energetic work in every congressional district in the country.

The Life Saving Service is one branch of the Government that annually proves its value. During the past year out of 3,900 persons whose lives were imperilled by sea it saved all but 25, and out of $15,000,000 worth of property likewise imperilled it saved all but $2,500,000. Seven of the brave men of the Monomoy Crew, Cape Cod, lost their lives, however, and Congress should provide for their widows and orphans.

The Pennsylvania R. R. is a model in many ways. It has pensions for its employees and now presents its men with another increase in wages, and without solicitation. No wonder it gets good service and is perhaps the safest and most comfortable road in the world.

The remarkable paintings of Christ by Prof. Louis Ransom, are still on exhibition at the "Follow Me" Studio in the Batterson building. This opportunity to study them should not be missed.

A New York multi-millionaire and club man, Mr. J. G. Phelps Stokes, has taken permanent residence in a University Settlement in order to live with and personally to aid the poorer people. Mr. Gordon Brown, former captain of the Yale football team, is also working along these lines. These gentlemen continue their ordinary business.

Cold weather and no coal are serving to emphasize the beauty of monopoly in public necessities, like the fuel monopoly and the labor monopoly.

The great mystery of Time, were there no other; the illimitable, silent, never resting thing called Time, rolling, rushing on, swift, silent, like an all-embracing ocean tide, on which we and all the universe swim like exhalations, like apparitions which are, and then are not; this is forever very literally a miracle; a thing to strike us dumb—for we have no word to speak about it.—Carlyle.

When for three generations a family uses liquor in excess, nature registers the deterioration. His biographer tells us that the first Webster represented colossal strength and sobriety. This giant had a son, Daniel, who represented colossal strength and moderate drinking, while his son represented erratic strength, and his grandson represented one who made the amusements of his ancestors to be his occupation.—Newell Dwight Hillis, D. D.

As when a father in a garden stoops down to kiss a child, the shadow of his body falls upon it, so many of the dark misfortunes of our life are not God going away from us, but our heavenly Father stooping down to give us the kiss of His infinite and everlasting love.---Talmage.

The largest perfect bell in the world is said to be the one in use at Mingun, Burma, opposite Mandalay. It weighs ninety tons, and was cast in 1790. It has no tongue or clapper, but is raised on iron pillars and struck by the priests of the worshipers to call the attention of the spirits.

Courage is the condition of success. No one can do his best who is timid—afraid of his outside and of his inside, of his environment and of himself.

Remember that every person, however low, has rights and feelings. In all contentions let peace be your object rather than triumph; value triumphs only as the means of peace.

Virtue is like precious odors, most fragrant when they are incensed or crushed; for prosperity doth best discover vice, but adversity doth best discover virtue.---Lord Bacon.

"I understand," said one savage islander, "that the last of the Caribs have about disappeared, owing to numerous explosions in their vicinity."

"Yes," answered the other; "in other words, the Caribs may be regarded as civilized."

"I sold liquor for eleven years," said an ex-saloon keeper to a temperance society, "long enough for me to see the beginning and end of its effects. I have seen a man take his first glass of liquor in my place, and afterwards fill the grave of a suicide. I have seen man after man, wealthy and educated, come into my saloon who cannot now buy a dinner. I can recall twenty customers, worth from one to five thousand dollars, who are without money or friends."

The man who has mastered himself is always a hero, whatever his environment. Others who have fought the same battle know the struggles that were necessary to attain that mastery, and respect the character that could not be overthrown by them. Those who have not mastered themselves cannot master their environment, and they recogrize in the man of self-control character which they have fought for and failed to gain.

There is cause enough for thankfulness in any life, no matter how darkened by sorrow. There are sorrows not experienced, there are sins not committed, and for these at least, you can be thankful, until the spirit of Job possesses you, and you exclaim triumphantly, "Though He slay me, yet will I trust Him."—F. G. T.

America is not the only country where a man may rise from obscurity to a share in the affairs of state. M. Witte, the Russian Minister of Finance, was a clerk in a small railway office—but he was a good clerk: first the railway officials found him, then the government found him and has kept him ever since.

High hopes are often shattered through too much attention to personal comfort.

HIS FACE WAS HIS OWN.

Professor Blackie used to form a very picturesque feature in the streets of Edinburgh, with his long hair falling in patriarchal ringlets over his shoulders. He very much enjoyed telling this racy anecdote on himself.

One day he was accosted by a very dirty little bootblack with his "Shine yer boots, sir?" The professor was impressed by the filthiness of the boy's face.

"I don't want a shine my lad," said he; "but if you'll go and wash your face, I'll give you sixpence."

"A' richt, sir," was the lad's reply. Then he went over to a neighboring fountain and made his ablutions. Returning he held out his hand for the money.

"Well, my lad," sand the professor, "you have earned your sixpence. Here it is."

"I dinna want it," returned the boy, with a lordly air. "Ye can keep it and get yer hair cut."—Selected.

MAGAZINE NOTICES.

The December number of McClure's Magazine is as full of good things as usual, and few publications sustain so high a standard and so enviable a reputation. The continued "History of the Standard Oil Company" and a descriptive story of remarkable horseback riding are of special interest.

The Era Magazine, in its own created field as a magazine of literature and of general interest, stands preeminent among many imitators. "Summering in Winter" is an illustrated article of much interest written with much cleverness.

The current Cosmopolitan contains articles on some great feats of magic, and on the training of wild animals, which are of unusual interest. Several very readable short stories are contained also.

The chief features of the December Century are the color work, the Christmas material, the beginning of "Lovey Mary," a new serial story by the author of "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch," an engraving by Cole of a "Madonna and Child" by Morales, the Spanish Master, and the second paper in the series on Trusts, the author being Henry Loomis Nelson and the topic "The So-Called Steel Trust."

Richard Harding Davis went to Spain to attend the coronation and see the great coronation bull-fight. He has witnessed bull-fights also in many Spanish-American countries. In the Christmas Scribner's he has a satirical article called "The Gentle Art of Bull Fighting," in which he advances a special claim for a new hero of the bull-fight, the humble chulo who sweeps up the debris in the ring.

Among the Christmas numbers Leslie's Monthly appears in an edition de luxe. The number of pages is increased; a story by Egerton Castle is printed in tint and one by Seumas MacManus on colored paper.

The December (Christmas) number of "Success" seems to anticipate and meet the wants of a large number of readers. No one who has followed "Success" closely for the past year can fail to have noticed the progressive appearance of the periodical, from a literary as well as a pictorial point of view.

A magazine thirty years old, the Christmas number of The Delineator is also the Thirtieth Anniversary number. To do justice to this number, which for beauty and utility touches the highest mark, it would be necessary to print the entire list of contents. It is sufficient to state that in it the best modern writers and artists are generously represented. The book contains over 300 pages, with 34 full-page illustrations, of which 20 are in two or more colors.

Mr. E. S. Drake of the Cedar Hill greenhouse, has a splendid assortment of Chrysanthemums, Carnations, Boston Ferns, etc. He also has ample room, and the best facilities for caring for potted plants through the winter for those who desire to store their plants.

For heating, plumbing, gas fitting, etc., consult Mr. James Harris, 548 Asylum street. Years of experience and a record of unfailing satisfaction, are two factors which make his reputation one of the very best.

ADDITIONAL CHURCHES.

WARBURTON CHAPEL.

An unusual number of cases of sickness for this season of the year has affected the Sunday-school attendance.

In several instances the people were without coal, nor could any be bought, and wood from barrels, boxes, etc., was all that could be obtained. Unless the fuel problem is relieved immediately, the suffering among the poor will be great and the best Christmas offering to the needy would be for the churches now supplied with coal to reduce the number of services and donate the fuel to the deserving.

The regular Tuesday evening teachers' meetings have been well attended. Mr. Miel's address on December 2, was very enjoyable and instructive, the topic being "The Prayer Book."

The mothers' meetings fill a real need of the neighborhood. Helpful talks, social hours, basket weaving and the like have interested the mothers and teachers, while the Thanksgiving gathering in the Kindergarten brought out the usual large Thanksgiving company.

The children of the Kindergarten will have their Christmas tree on Friday, December 19, and the Primary Department will celebrate December 24. The general entertainment will be held on December 30, for the Sunday-school and their friends.

The Young Ladies' Social Club, which meets on alternate Monday evenings, proves very attractive to the senior girls of the Sunday-school and their friends from the vicinity.

A general social was held November 19, for the teachers, parents and older classes. Ping-pong and bean bag prove the most attractive of the various games played. The social was thoroughly enjoyed and was voted a great success.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

The men of the parish meet again to complete the organization of their Social Club on Thursday evening, December 18, at 8 o'clock.

The three societies give an entertainment and sale, Wednesday and Thursday, December 10 and 11.

The Christmas tree may be expected the night before Christmas day.

The barrell for Pattre Buford's hospital was sent last week.

SHELTER FOR WOMEN.

The work of the Shelter is prospering and many women are being reached and helped in spiritual things, as well as temporal. It is a true "home" to many of the homeless girls and women of our city.

The annual reception to the friends of the work was held in November and there was a large attendance and much interest manifested.

The members of our family are receiving instruction in basket work and we are much pleased with the results.

We had a very enjoyable time at Thanksgiving, our friends being very kind to us, and supplying us with means for our dinner and enabling us to extend a helping hand to others. In the evening we had one of our home gatherings with singing and recitations and refreshments of ice cream and cake were served later in the evening.

We are looking forward to our Christmas celebration as that is our largest gathering of the year and a great many of our girls are able to be with us.

Our religious services are well attended and we realize the presence of the Holy Spirit with us, in softening hearts and bringing them back to God.

WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

On December 2, were given reports of observances in the city of "World's Temperance Sunday," of November 23, which reports, for want of facts, were few. It is deplorable, as it seems to us, that so few of the city pastors cared to observe the day, temperance-wise. In looking over the Sunday topics as given by the press, but one was distinguishable as a temperance topic. We are thankful for that one, but if the church is, as we believe, God's chosen agency for the destruction of evil, the abolition of the saloon curse is not hastened by such evasion of duty. We will not fail to record two Sunday-schools, (and we trust there were more) which prepared and carried out, temperance exercises. We believe that the church of God can put away the saloon, if she will, but such non-action as was apparent on "World's Temperance Sunday" confirms one in the belief that the church, as found in Hartford, is not ready to part with the saloon. May God open our eyes to see this curse as He sees it!

THE STRENGTH OF MORMONISM.

At the recent semi-annual conference, the seventy-second, held in Salt Lake City, "Apostle" Clawon gave these figures. He said: "There are to-day 51 stakes in the Mormon Church, 14 foreign missions, 260,000 souls in stakes of Zion, and 50,000 in the missions—a total of 310,000; 85,000 children under eight years of age; the first presidency and 12 apostles, 200 patriarchs, 6,800 high priests, 2,736 seventies, 20,000 elders, making a total of 36,744; 4,800 priests, 4,900 teachers, 16,000 deacons, a total of 25,700, constituting the lesser priesthood or a grand total of 62,444 bearing the priesthood of God. Connected with the auxiliary associations of the church are 30,150 members of the Relief Society, 10,900 officers and teachers in Sunday schools and 15,000 children, 28,000 in the Y. M. M. I. A. and 35,000 in the Y. L. F. I. A.; 4,060 officers and 31,938 children in the primary association; about 20,000 belonging to the religious classes of the church, the total of those belonging to the auxiliary associations reaching 264,204."

We must remember that we are short-sighted creatures. We are like an unskillful chess player, who takes the next piece, while a skillful one looks further. He who sees the end from the beginning will often appoint us a most inexplicable way to walk in. Joseph was put into the pit and the dungeon; but this was the way which led to the throne.—Selected.

There is no readier way for a man to bring his own worth into question than by endeavoring to detract from the worth of other men.

GIFT BOOKS.

THE POPULAR ROMANCE, "BLENNER HASSETT," BY CHAS. FELTON PIDGIN, WITH FINE ILLUSTRATIONS, BY C. H. STEPHEN, 48c.

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Counsellor Law: "I see you got a disagreement of the jury?"

Counsellor Case: "O, yes; it was easy."

"How did you manage it?"

"Why I got two fellows on the jury; one owns an automobile, and the other owns a horse. I knew those two would never agree."—Yonkers Statesman.

It is a Dutch proverb that "paint costs nothing," such are its preserving qualities in damp climates. Well, sunshine costs less, yet is finer pigment; and so of cheerfulness, the more it is spent, the more it remains.—Ralph Waldo Emerson.

BUSINESS AND PLEASURE.

Miss Gull: "Mr. Joakley was telling me about a remarkable tadpole he has in his aquarium."
Miss Gill: "What was remarkable about it?"
Miss Gull: "Why, he says when he got it it was only an inch long, but in a week or so it had grown two feet."

We call attention to the entirely safe and beautiful method of illuminating Christmas trees advertised on another page by the Hartford Storage Battery Co.

Skates, sleds, cutlery and many other useful and very acceptable Christmas gifts can be found at Page's Hardware Store, No. 419 Main street, Linden Building.

"Ma," said the newspaper man's son, "I know why editors call themselves 'we.'"
"Why?"
"So's the man that doesn't like the article will think there are too many people for him to tackle."—Washington Star.

People who have funds to invest would do well to look over the properties offered by E. Shelton & Co., 66 State street. Some chances for very profitable investments are now offered by this enterprising firm.

The supply of meats, poultry, vegetables, etc., carried by the Franklin Market, 516 Main street, is always of the best and freshest. Mr. E. H. Harris, the proprietor, has made of his market one of Hartford's leaders.

Neighbor: "Why do you jog the baby so hard when she's crying?"
Proud Mother: "Sure, it makes her cry with such a beautiful tremmylo."

Toys, games, knives, skates, sleds and an endless variety of articles to make glad the heart of boys and girls, can be found at A. H. Pomeroy's, 98 Asylum street.

The dissolution Sale of Furniture still in progress at Seidler & May's, 306 to 318 Pearl street, affords an opportunity to secure the highest class of furniture for gift purposes at very moderate prices.

Teddy: "Mamma, Tommy knocked me down on the way home from school to-day. (After a pause.) But I gave him a bat in the eye!"
Mamma: "Before he knocked you down, Teddy, or afterward?"

The Smith & Clapp Grocery Co., is one of Hartford's leaders in its line. For the Christmas dinner there is an abundance of supplies, all of choice quality. The Diamond-Brand of flour is a popular article the year 'round.

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The Maid: "In Shekaggy, I 'm afther radin', the misthrusses trates their hilp as aquals."
The Cook: "Och, the nerve av thim Shekaggyans!"

A fine display of jewelry, watches, silverware, etc., can be seen at Levy's Jewelry Store, 860 Main street. Mr. Levy has made a splendid selection for the holiday trade.

Loeffler's Drug Store, 705 Main street, offers a pleasing line of perfumes, brushes, and other toilet articles for the Christmas trade.

PRAYER-MEETING HINTS.

1. First, last and all the time, be enthusiastic.
2. Be at every meeting on time and take a front seat.
3. In appointing the leaders do not confine all the work to the half dozen or so who can do it best. Keep up the interest by giving all a chance to lead, the older and the younger, the boys and the girls.
4. Emphasize the devotional element. The prayer-meeting is called the thermometer of the church, and the prayers are the thermometer of the prayer-meeting.
5. Be ready to speak the first one. Butter goes farther on cold bread than it does on hot, and the same things said at the beginning of meeting will do more good than at the end.

A POSER.

A clever woman—she came from Boston—some time ago made a great stir with her Spiritualistic seances. She discovered lost goods and found strayed friends, called up spirits and astounded a great many people. At one seance Mohammed appeared and conversed wisely, telling many matters of interest. Then up rose a little grammarian from Algiers. "Will you let me put a question to Mohammed?" he asked. "Certainly," said the woman from Boston. "How much are two and two?" he asked, but he asked it in Arabic and Mohammed unfortunately must have forgotten his own tongue, He couldn't write it and he couldn't understand it and he couldn't speak it, not even with a Boston accent.—Scottish American.

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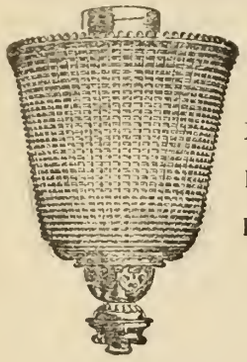

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HARTFORD UNION NOTES.

The directors of the Union had a very large and interesting meeting, November 18, being called to take action on a recommendation submitted by the Finance Committee relative to assessment. A very general discussion followed and finally resulted in matters remaining practically the same as originally.

The Hartford C. E. Union will provide a Christmas entertainment at the Wethersfield state prison, Christmas morring, at 10 o'clock. All Endeavorers and friends will be welcome.

The Central Section of the Hartford C. E. Union will hold a sectional meeting Wednesday, December 10, at 7:45 p. m., with A. M. E. Zion church society on Pearl street. The topic, "The bible in the home and at the meeting," will be handled informally by representatives from each society in the section. Vice-president, Geo. H. Wilder, will preside.

The Junior Department of the Union held a rally Sunday, November 23, at the Congregational church, East Hartford, and were addressed by Mrs. Abby Snell Burnell, who gave a missionary talk on the life of a high caste Hindoo woman.

Mrs. J. B. Sexton, our Junior superintendent, is doing splendid work along Junior lines.

Mr. James R. Tucker, missionary superintendent, is ready to help any society along missionary lines, or provide capable speakers for missionary meetings.

The Finance Committee for the present year is composed of three well known Endeavorers, Messrs. W. P. Weaver, N. B. Bassett and H. S. Goslee.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE NOTES.

The United Society of C. E. has published three books for the Social Committee. Every Society should own these books. I believe that I cannot do better this month than to quote a few disconnected notes from Prof. Wells' "Social to Save," and "Social Evenings." "What is it to be social?" "It is to appreciate the meaning of life." "It is to realize that we are set here in this world, not for houses, lands, gold, silks, praise, authority, fame, but for character." "It is to put first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness."

"The secret of winsomeness is the desire to win souls for the Master. You cannot be social until you are social—to save." "We cannot argue men into the kingdom, but we can sympathize them in, we can love them in." "You may make a great stir about socials in your Christian Endeavor Society, but unless the warm heart of Christ is in them, your socials will be more like the water of Labrador than the Water of Life." "Unless to win men to the Master, you are willing at least to try to forget self, to lose self-consciousness in service, you cannot be social." "Forget yourselves; remember Christ; seek to win souls for Him." "You think you believe in the brotherhood of man. Test yourself at the next social, and see whether you do not practically believe only in the brotherhood of the congenial. You think you trust in Christ. Test the matter at the next social, and see if you can trust Him even in so slight a matter as overcoming diffidence and awkwardness. You think you are unselfish. Make trial of it at the social by forgetting whether you are having a good time, in your desire to give a good time to others." "Only by such personal work as this, in our socials, can we become soul-winners."

"What is wanted in the Christian Endeavor Social is not so much sociability, as sociability diffused." "A poorer game, in which all can heartily join, is far better than a better game that appeals only to a few."

"Always get your pastor's approval of the general scheme of the social before you enter upon your preparations."

"If your social committee is unsuccessful, the probable reason is that it is not enough of a prayer committee."

I hope that these practical thoughts of Prof. Wells will help your social committee. "Try, just try" them and I am sure they will be.

EDWIN H. MUNGER,
President.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS.

(From the Presbyterian C. E. Manual)

Sunday, December 14. Topic—Our Fellowship. Ps. 133: 1-3; I Cor. 12: 12:27.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

It is a pleasant thing, indeed, for brethren to dwell together in unity. Nor must we limit "brethren" to members of our family, for all Christians are brothers.

All Christians together make up the body of Christ. It would be singular if the hand grew envious of the foot, or the nose of the eyes, or the heart of the brain. Each is important in its place. So is each Christian, even the feeblest.

Christians should love each other, and all should live and work together in unity and fellowship, never criticising nor blaming each other, but each helping the others.

POINTS FOR STUDY.

What does James say of fellowship between rich and poor?

What was "the right hand of fellowship"?

What does John say of the conditions of fellowship with God and men?

Sunday, December 21. Christmas: Its Message and Motive. Luke 2: 1-20; John 3: 14-17.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

Christ's coming brought great joy to the world. We have but to think of the millions who have been saved from eternal death to eternal life through the gospel.

The joy is for all. The Christmas message is "God is love." That is what the birth of the Reedemer declared.

Christmas brings Christ afresh to every one. We should accept Him and give Him our love and go out to tell others about Him.

Christmas is a profoundly spiritual day. But the way most people keep it is profoundly material. It is much better to leave out the Christmas dinner on Christmas day than the Christmas spirit—yet what would Christmas mean in most households if the dinner were left out?

Some celebrate Christ's birthday by giving presents to each other—but none to Him. Would we not think it strange if our birthday were kept in that way? Christ wants one gift—the gift of ourselves to Him, in pure love and steady service.

The angels' song on the first Christmas set a keynote for all Christmases to come. First, "glory to God;" then "goodwill to men." Is our Christmas a day that glorifies God, first of all? Generosity, fellowship, hospitality, are only secondary in the right keeping of Christmas; its first and highest joy is joy in the Lord.

POINTS FOR STUDY.

Why must the Messiah come from Bethlehem?"

What was the earliest promise of Christ's coming?

From what prophecy did Christ get the title "Son of man"?

Sunday, December 28. Topic—Our Heavenly Home and the Way. John 14: 1-6; Rev. 21: 1-4.

"TOPIC THOUGHTS."

It is a great deal to know about heaven that it is our Father's house. A father's house is home, and heaven will be home.

That home will have in it room enough for all God's children. There will be no crowding. No one will be shut out. Each one will find a place just for him, prepared by Christ and reserved.

The whole family will be gathered home together in heaven. The reunions will be very blessed. Then there will never again be any separations.

POINTS FOR STUDY.

What heavenly visitors came to Christ at the transfiguration?

What promise did Christ make to the dying thief?

What does Paul mean by "Our conversation is in heaven"?

Sunday, January 4. Topic—How to Get a Fresh Start. Eph. 4: 22-32.

"TOPIC THOUGHTS."

We ought to make much of the New Year. It should be a new step on the stair, lifting our feet a little higher for a better and more beautiful life. We ought never to be content to live two years quite on the same plane. We should grow, and the years should show lines of progress.

"There's a new foot on the floor, my friend,
And a new face at the door, my friend,—
A new face at the door."

In material things a new start means a new impulse. Nothing ever starts itself. No one ever saw a log begin to roll unless some hand or some force started it. It is the same in moral and spiritual life. No one starts himself in a new course. We need God, and all our help must come from Him. The first words in the Bible are fitting for the beginning of a new year—"In the beginning God." We should start with God and have God in everything. We write A. D., Anno Domini, after our years—"years of our Lord." We should make the year really a year of our Lord. Nothing could be sadder than leaving Christ out of our years.

QUESTIONS AT THE START.

Am I willing to lay aside all hindering sins?

Am I at peace with all my fellow-Christians?

Am I ready to give time to prayer and Bible-study?

Am I resolved to be loyal and useful to the Church?

Sunday, January 11. Topic—Bringing Others to Christ. John 1. 40-45. I 6-10. Mark 5: 19, 20.

TOPIC THOUGHTS.

The first thing is to be sure we come to Christ ourselves. We cannot bring others to Him until we have brought ourselves. A little girl, after hearing a sermon about bringing people to Jesus, said, "I think I'll bring somebody to Him." "Whom will you bring?" asked her father. "I think I'll bring myself first." That is what Andrew did.

As soon as a man finds Christ he looks around for his brother.

Andrew has been called "The Introducer." We are not told of anything else that he did. We hear of him only three times, and each time he is introducing somebody to Jesus. (Find the three times.)

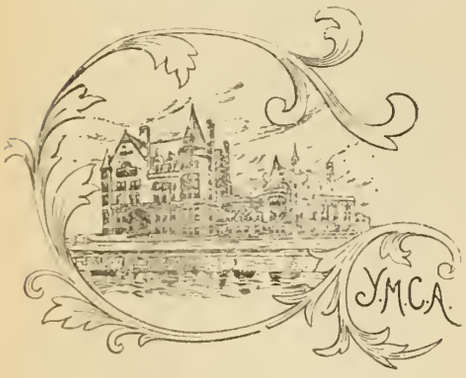
POINTS FOR STUDY.

Who was Paul's first European convert?

Who was the first African convert?

What commission did Christ give to His disciples?

Quite a unique innovation was introduced recently by the members of the North Capitol Epworth League, which they called an "apple social." The chief feature of the evening was the writing by every person present of a short extemporaneous poem on the apple. To the person who prepared the best poem was awarded a huge apple pie and to the person whose poetic effort was adjudged the least meritorious was given a small apple tart. Another feature of the evening was a "William Tell contest" during which the members endeavored to shoot an apple placed on the head of a life-sized dummy, to the serious and ineffaceable injury of the dummy.



Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The month of November was a good month in the work of the Young Men's Christian Association. The management were particularly pleased with the development in the evening classes of the Hillyer Institute. The total number of students registered is 250. One interesting feature is the fact that the young men this year are paying more for what they get in this department than in any previous year. The receipts from tuition fees were about 30 per cent. more for the same period of time than for the year previous. A large number of new members have been received by the Association since the first of September, and there is a marked development in every department of the work. Better work than ever is being done in the Physical Department this winter under the able leadership of Mr. S. Wales Dixon, who is now entering upon his 7th year with the Association. More and better work is being done in actual body building by a large number of men than at any season during the last three years. The business men's class, which meets from 5 to 6 p. m., on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, is one of the most enthusiastic classes in the department. From 40 to 50 men are enrolled in this class. It is open to other business and professional men who might enjoy the advantages provided for helpful exercise.

In the Boys' Department there is a very interesting work going on. The attendance for the gymnasium classes, Bible study classes, etc., is regular, and a good work is being done among the boys in these ways.

The third series of meetings for men only, held in the Hartford Opera House, had a good beginning in November. The attendance steadily increased from the first Sunday. These meetings bring together a very large number of men, many of whom are not to be reached with religious influences by the regular services of the city churches.

The entertainment course given in Unity Hall is meeting with approval from those who enjoy them. The attendance at each number has been good.

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Association is now at work raising money to renovate and refit the reading room, a matter that is greatly needing attention. The Auxiliary would gladly welcome to their ranks any lady interested in Christian work for men and boys, the membership fee being $1.00 per year.

During this first week of December a very interesting series of addresses are being given by Dr. Lyman Beecher Sperry of Oberlin, Ohio, on topics of special importance and value to men.

Mr. Jacks, the General Secretary, attended a conference held in Trenton, N. J., last week which was in the interests of the work for young men in non-Christian lands. The conference was largely attended and was instructive in character. The purpose of it was to impart information to the leaders in the various Association centers regarding the methods of work and conditions of young men in these lands, and the immediate and pressing needs. This is work that was undertaken only at the earnest solicitations of the Missionary Boards of this country. It has reached marvelous proportions in the last five years. The International Committee, under whose direction this work is carried on, now have thirty one Association Secretaries in non-Christian lands. These men are centering their efforts upon the great bodies of young men gathered in the large cities of these lands.

The Hartford Young Men's Christian Association has not had any special part in this phase of Association work in the past and it is the intention of the management to have the Association enlist its efforts in forwarding the Master's kingdom among the young men of the world.

THE OPEN HEARTH.

The winter work at the Open Hearth opened with Thanksgiving day exercises, when 200 children were given a splendid feast of turkey and the usual fixings. A large number of older persons, also, including those who had assisted at the dinner, as well as a large number of men who came to the institution, were supplied with a hearty meal. Supplies were also sent to a large number of poor families and the happy day closed with a rousing meeting at which Superintendent Miller spoke of the many reasons for thankfulness we had for the blessings of the past year, and particularly for the new mission quarters on Grove street, where the work of the Institution could be more efficiently carried on. The value to the work of the new quarters cannot be over-estimated. Clean and comfortable single beds in warm and wholesome rooms and the increased facilities for bathing including the shower baths now being put in, give an opportunity to teach the men cleanliness of person and give to the tired wayfarer refreshment and cheer. The Girls' Club, now organized, has already proved a great auxiliary to the work and the matron, Mrs. Flynte, who has charge, has proved herself efficient in the position. A large number of girls from 14 to 17 years of age have joined and more will be received as they apply. They have the advantage of a pleasant, light and warm room, to spend their evenings in and a piano to help them to pass the time. Great good is expected from this feature of the work. The Boys' Club is also organized and on certain evenings the boys who attend are taught instrumental music by a competent instructor and also athletic exercises. This also has been a success from the start. The wood yard has also increased facilities and is doing a large business which is constantly increasing. A large number of men are employed and thus those who come to the Open Hearth are given an opportunity to earn their board and lodging, until they can obtain employment, or have a chance to return to their homes. The number applying is quite large during the cold weather, particularly, and the fine accommodations call forth many expressions of gratitude. The meetings which are held each evening are fully attended and much interest is manifested. On Sunday evening, November 30, Bishop Brewster was present and gave an able address, which was listened to with rapt attention. He pleaded that our Lord saw something in each one, and it only needed that he should be given the opportunity, by the submission of man's will to His will, to make such a one glorify Him and find happiness in His service. On the succeeding Wednesday evening, Rev. Mr. Foster of Center Church, was greeted by another large congregation, who again listened to another practical and eloquent address. Rev. James Goodwin of Christ Church, has visited the Open Hearth several times and feels great interest in the work. He is always warmly greeted and his able addresses listened to with attention and they always produce good effects. Rev. Mr. Faucon also continues his Friday evening visits and all are delighted to greet him, who, for several years, has been a friend of the work. Superintendent Miller speaks each evening and always gives those present a loving and earnest appeal to a better life. His personal knowledge of the men and women present and his ready sympathy for all in trouble and joy is fully appreciated and the many calls on his time are met by him patiently at all times. Every morning at 9 o'clock, and each evening after the meetings, he is at the office and all who call have an opportunity to receive his advice and aid.

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It is only by remarkably good productions that a publishing house becomes famous for a line of specialties like the Russell calendars. Each season the calendars produced by R. H. Russell of New York are foremost in artistic quality, in variety, in originality and in popularity. Among the numerous issues this season is "A Christy Calendar for 1903," containing some of the latest and best drawings of Howard Chandler Christy. Some "Cats" by Edward Penfield make another unique calendar.

The Raymond Company of New York publish "A Calendar of Interest," being reproductions of places uncommonly interesting in and about New York City, with text descriptive of same. It is designed by H. L. Smith and R. M. Wright.

Lavender and Old Lace. By Myrtle Reed. 267 pages, 12 mo. New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons. Price $1.50.

A dainty love story and one beautifully told. Only those who have read the author's "Love Letters of a Musician" can imagine the grace and poetry in the telling of this story. Full of charm and simplicity, it is, as well, light and sweet, soothing and real and tender.

It carries also the touch of kindly humor that makes a good book human and natural. It is one that every one will like; one of the lasting sort of Christmas gifts.

From "MR. SUN AND MRS. MOON."
R. H. Russell Publisher.

Mr. Sun and Mrs. Moon. By Richard LeGallene. Square 8 vo. New York: R. H. Russell. Price $1.60.

When so true a poet and literary artist as Mr. LeGalliene condescends to write a book for children, much is anticipated. Large, but still a volume one would like to call dainty, is this book. In it are verses to, and about, Mr. Sun, Mrs. Moon, the Baby Stars and other subjects that children joy in. Well drawn and appropriate are the numerous illustrations.

The Reformer. By Charles M. Sheldon. 299 pages 12 mo. Chicago. Advance Publishing Co. Price $1.50.

Ordinary typography on poor paper results in a cheap looking volume. That is unfortunate, for this is a book with a purpose—and an excellent one.

The author wishes to present to the general public, in an effective way, the evils of slum and tenement-house living. In so doing he deals in a cleanly realistic way with the conditions and characters as they show beneath the surface. The story is very readable, enlightening and vivid.

Franceczka. By Molly Elliot Seawell. 466 pages, 12 mo. Indianapolis: The Bowen-Merrill Co. Price $1.50.

An assembly of great folk among whom are Voltaire, Marshal Saxe and Louis XV. Such combined brilliancy and power should alone insure the interest of the book, but in reality the delineations of these characters are so futile that the interest in the book lies almost entirely in the personality and vigor of "Franceczka" herself and "Bubache," the modest hero.

The story is exciting and clever.

The Wind in the Tree. By Millicent, Duchess of Sunderland. 226 pages, 12 mo. New York: R. H. Russell. Price $1.50.

A collection, including seven love stories of varying character and dealing with various grades of society. They are well written and natural, though not all of extraordinary power. "Till Seventy Times Seven" is one of the best.

A beautiful conception for the frontpiece, called "The Tree of Love," is drawn for the volume by Walter Crane.

Four Little Indians, or, How Carroll "Got Even." By Ella M. Coates. 262 pages, 12 mo. Phila: Henry T. Coates & Co. Price 80 cents.

That this is not a story of real Indians, but the adventures of a family of frolicsome children, whose healthy and vivid imaginations led them to simulate "red skin" traits and endure appropriate vicissitudes, need not betoken that it is not an exciting tale and one that children will laugh over and enjoy.

The Death of Sir Launcelot and Other Poems. By Conde Benoist Pallen. 124 pages, 16 mo. Boston: Small, Maynard & Co.

The initial poem is graceful and smooth, with few breaks in a rythm natural and spontaneous. This ease of style is notable for its evidence in all the verses, unless it is "Arise, America," in which, to a critical ear, there seems to sound an unconscious bombast.

The lines, "On the Death of Alfred Tennyson," are the most characteristic and the best single thing in the volume.

Japan and Her People. By Anna C. Hartshorne. Two volumes, crown 8 vo. Philadelphia: H. T. Coates & Co. Price $4.00.

Two volumes, containing respectively 377 and 375 pages. The work is illustrated with fifty superb photogravures, selected with discrimination and care. They add greatly to the work, which treats of Japan and the Japanese from an obviously intimate acquaintance with both. Miss Hartshorne has been a resident of the country so that she may speak with authority.

She writes in a clear and captivating style, so that her efforts result in a most attractive and valuable work.

The publishers have brought it out in a thoroughly substantial and attractive form and it is eminently well adapted for a holiday gift.

The Tiger and the Insect. By John Habberton. 235 Pages. 12 mo. New York: R. H. Russell. Price $1.20.

"Helen's Babies" must of course have a sequel and here it is. A maiden aunt undertakes the charge, this time, of caring for the ingenious and remarkable infants who made happy and unhappy the bachelor uncle of the former story. There may reasonably be a suspicion that this will not approach the popularity of "Helen's Babies," but it is a clever and jolly tale and one is pleased to realize that those babies are never to be allowed to grow up.

From "THE TIGER AND THE INSECT."
R. H. Russell, Publisher.

Rollicking Rhymes for Youngsters. By Amos R. Wells. 157 pages, 12 mo. New York: E. H. Revell Co. Price $1.00.

Many of the child verses here collected have appeared in various magazines, though some are published for the first time. They are all bright and cheerful and so, of healthful tone. They are not all so carefully constructed or so graceful, as one might ask, but they bear the stamp of sincerity. Mr. L. J. Bridman, the artist, has done his work very well, indeed.

The Right Princess. By Clara Louise Burnham. 361 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Houghton, Mifflin & Co. Price $1.50.

Probably the best story yet written with Christian Science as its theme Whether one is in sympathy with the cult or not, he cannot fail to find sustained readability to this novel, and interest in the delineation of well introduced characters.

The author is always to be credited with good work and this is evidently an entirely conscientious effort.

Ward Hill at Weston. By Everett T. Tomlinson. 336 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Am. Baptist Publication Society. Price $1.25.

"Ward Hill" is a sort of American "Tom Brown." He certainly has as many adventures and they are realistic and vivid, as they should be, for

all the incidents are from real life. It is a wholesome and entertaining story in every respect and of special interest to hey readers.

New York: Old and New. Its Story, Streets and Landmarks. By Rufus Rockwell Wilson. Two volumes, 8 mo. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott Co. Price $3.50.

The story is told by the landmarks, and how better could the story of such a city as New York be told? This seems for many reasons the first authoritative, comprehensive and at the same time readable work yet published on this subject.

A work handsomely illustrated, bound and printed, containing reproductions from old photographs, prints, etc., so that it is entirely worthy the great success it has met. As a holiday gift, it would be highly appreciated by any one of literary tastes. Through the courtesy of the publishers we are enabled to reproduce on this page one of the characteristic illustrations.

PORCHES AND GARDEN,

Edwin Forest House, No. 436 West 22nd St. From "New York; Old and New." J. B. Lippincott Co., Publishers.

The City of Mystery. By Archibald Clavering Gunter. 275 pages, 12 mo. New York: Home Publishing Co. Prices: Cloth, $1.50. Paper, 50 cents.

Brilliancy and the keen appreciation of situations are qualities of Mr. Gunter as a writer. In the present story of the infamous private prison kept in Paris under the orders of Monsieur Mare Rene d'Argenson, Lieutenant. General of the Police of Paris during the French Regency, is the opportunity for the thrilling recital of plots and intrigues of spectacular grandeur, which bring into play all of the author's peculiar powers.

Mrs. Tree. By Laura E. Richards. 282 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Dana Estes Co. Price 75 cents.

"Geoffrey Strong," a popular book, immediately upon its publication last season, required a companion volume and we have it in this—one of the most cheery, droll and healthy stories of the season, deserving well the great success it has already had.

The Lady Poverty, A XIII. Century Allegory. Translated by Montgomery Carmichael. 299 pages, 16 mo. New York: Tennant and Ward. Price $1.75.

A dainty volume in Franciscan brown, rubricated and with a photogravure frontispiece. In this setting is told the simple, beautiful story of how Saint Francis of Assisi won that most difficult of all Brides—My Lady Poverty.

This is the first English translation of the story, which was written 1227 A. D., just a year after the Saint's death.

A Prisoner in Buff. By Everett T. Tomlinson. 267 pages, 12 mo. Boston: American Baptist Publication Society. Price $1.00.

An admirable story for boys dealing with Revolutionary times and heroes. The action of the story begins just after the Battle of Long Island. There are many thrilling scenes and incidents in the story, which sticks fairly well to historical record and is interesting to a degree.

The Queen of Little Barrymore Street. By Gertrude Smith. 223 pages, 12 mo. New York: F. H. Revell Co. Price 75 cents.

The story of a little girl of twelve, who goes with her mother, to visit a wealthy bachelor uncle. The uncle is away when they arrive, but Alice is received at his house and by the young folk in Little Barrymore Street.

Some little mysteries that arise, some actions of the generous uncle, and the distress of Alice's father, make up a story that children will find much pleasure in.

In the Gates of Israel. Stories of the Jews. By Herman Fernstein. 316 pages, 12 mo. New York: J. F. Taylor & Co. Price $1.50.

The Ghetto and the Jews of the "East Side" of New York have been written of often, but not before with the power, insight, sympathy and delicacy of feeling which mark the stories in this volume.

There is a world of pathos in such a story as "Alone." More is suggested than is told. It takes genius to do that successfully.

Mollie and the Unwiseman. By John Kendrick Bangs. 198 pages, 12 mo. Philadelphia. Henry T. Coates & Co. Price $1.00.

"The Unwiseman" is a new creature in literature. However, he should be allowed to live as he is so humorous and curious and immortal. His pranks and his wise(?) remarks suggest "Alice in Wonderland" undeniably, but beyond that suggestion, they have nothing in common. "Whistlebinkie" is another character in this book who is worthy of note.

A Romance of Welf Hollow. By Anna Wolfrom. 63 pages, 16 mo. Boston: Richard G. Badger. Price $1.00.

An artistic little volume, containing six illustrations in delicate tints. The plot is simple, but original and bright and such as will appeal to readers of very varied tastes.

Up the Witch Brook Road. By Kate Upson Clark. 367 pages, 12 mo. New York: J. F. Taylor and Co. Price $1.50.

"A Summer Idyl of the Last Generation" is a sub-title further describing this novel of life in New England in the times of our grandparents. A sweet and wholesome romance is woven in and about the quaint typical homestead. The picturesque characters move naturally and freely and, while action and plot hold the attention closely, yet one appreciates most the odor of woods and apple orchards, pastures and sunny lanes and the human types portrayed with splendid sympathy and virility.

On the Cross. A Romance of the Passion Play. By Wilhelmine von Hillern. 142 pages, 12 mo. Philadelphia: Drexel Biddle. Price $1.50.

A rarely strong tale, but a futile and depressing one, not merely because the author deals from a sordidly secular point of the Passion Play at Oberammergau, but because she essays to tell a love story and gives merely a forceful, but crude recital of the course of a vulgar passion. For this reason, the book is an offense to many readers.

Barbara Ladd. By Charles George Douglas Roberts. 377 pages, 12 mo. Boston: L. C. Page & Co. Price $1.50.

There are not enough romances of Revolutionary days. One may think so up to the moment of reading "Barbara Ladd," but then the opinion will swerve. The heroine is a veritable woodland nymph, the odor of all Nature pervades the tale and the author brings out characters of rare habits of mind and living. Altogether a unique book, a delighting story, a work of poetry, almost, and still a Revolutionary Romance. The volume is beautifully illustrated in color.

Bayou Triste. By Josephine Hamilton Nicholls. 150 pages, 12 mo. New New York: A. S. Barnes & Co. Price $1.50.

These incidents of life on the Southern plantations, showing with faithfulness the relations of the trusted negro slave to the master's family, make up the first book of the daughter of the Chief Justice of Louisiana. The love story told has a distinct flavor of the South and is pure and sweet in its interest and charm.

A Handful of Rose Yarns. By Stanton H. King. 170 pages. 12 mo. Boston: Richard G. Badger. Price $1.25.

Mr. King is known as a writer of the life of the sea through "Dog Watches at Sea." This his second book, treats of "Mission Work Among Seamen." The Sailor and His Sweetheart," "Pets Aboard Ship," "How Sailors Wash Their Clothes," and other subjects of interest to the general readers, as well as to seamen. There is much more to the book than its anecdotal interest, for it contains much that will be of value to the student of social problems.

Miss Minetta's Christmas Party. By Samuel M. Crothers. 147 pages. 16 mo. Boston: Houghton, Mifflin & Co.

This is one of the brightest and most original stories for children published this season. The author is on terms of delightful intimacy with all the children, giants, giant-killers, fairies and other people of all the realms of fairyland and fancy, from Sindbad the Sailor to Mowgli and Uncle Remus. It is full of keen humor and will be appreciated both by the older and younger readers.

Adnah. By J. Breckenridge Ellis. 308 pages. 12 mo. Philadelphia: George W. Jacobs & Co. Price $1.25.

This is advertised as the strongest tale of the time of Christ since "Ben Hur." It is not necessary to agree entirely with this claim—which has been made of many other books—to appreciate what really is a strong narrative and a vivid one. The local color is faithful and natural. One is satisfied that the author is well read regarding if not directly familiar with, the land he writes of.

The Last Word. By Alice MacGowan. 438 pages. 12 mo. Boston: L. C. Page & Co. Price $1.50.

An intense, energetic young woman who comes from Texas to New York with the design of making a journalistic success. She tells her own story and it is replete with happenings—not all of them pleasant ones.

She fears that her love for her husband, which is strong and sincere, must mar her success and doom her to a degree of oblivion, and she rebels at the thought. The story develops with grace and naturalness and "The Last Word" is indeed a beautiful one.

Stillman Gott. By Edwin Day Sibbley. 396 pages. 12 mo. Boston: John S. Brooks & Co. Price $1.50.

The first book of a new writer and the first publication of a new house. If the book is received according to its value, it means a doubly auspicious beginning. The story is of a character, half farmer and half fisherman, resident in a Maine coast town. Inevitably "David Harum" and "Uncle Holden" are brought to mind by "Stillman Gott," but there is a marked difference. "Gott" is deeply religious and in other respects quite different from his famous contemporaries.

The story is of absorbing interest, full of live incidents and written with a charm of language seldom encountered.

Glengarry School Days. A Story of Early Days in Glengarry. By Ralph Connor. 340 pages. 12 mo. New York: F. H. Revell Co. Price $1.25.

The author of "The Sky Pilot" has for some months been publishing in "Frank Leslie's Monthly" yarns and stories of boyhood days in that little corner of Eastern Ontario, where he has found so much material of interest.

The old-fashioned backwoods school master, the spelling-match, the examination and the numberless "scraps," go to make up little essays of quaint, humorous and human interest.

The Shadow of the Czar. By John R. Carling. 418 pages. 12 mo. Boston: Little, Brown & Co. Price $1.50.

Most of the incidents occur in Slavowitz, the capital of the old Polish principality of Czernova. The Princess Barbara claims the throne and the Duke of Bora, with the assistance of Russia, is plotting to dispossess her of her right. Herein is excellent subject for romance and the author has constructed a thrilling one, full of incident and intrigue.

Some of the characters are unreal and puppet-like, but they are always moving, so one has little time to study and analyze them.

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From "The Shadow of the Czar." Little, Brown & Co., Publishers.

The Song of the Wedding Bells. By Wm. B. Ockham. 110 pages. 16 mo. New York: The Grafton Press.

Love songs in many moods and tenses makes up this little volume. The sentiments are beautiful and pure, but not always is the expression entirely felicitous and graceful. The book is a dainty one and appropriately presented, should be well appreciated.

The Blue Flower. By Henry Van Dyke. 300 pages. 12 mo. New York: Charles Scribner's Sons. Price $1.50.

A selection of the best of recent sketches and short stories of the author, all characterized by the delicate charm and sentiment that makes Van Dyke justly popular. "Spy Rock" and "The Other Wise Man" are stories of rare qualities and are not only well written, but are full of healthful sentiment and beauty. The publishers, as usual, have made the volume most attractive in appearance and it will be one of the season's favorite gift books.

The Lost Wedding Ring. By Cortland Myers, D.D. 181 pages. 12 mo. New York: Funk & Wagnalls Co. Price 75 cents.

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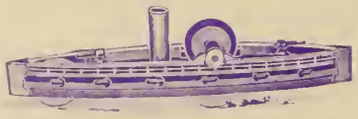

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" Albany & Montreal, "	92,383 33
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(By William Tyler Olcott.)

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Some gliding onward with majestic sweep,
And others idly lagging in their train,
Like ships deep laden with a wealth of gain,
That slowly mount the towering surges steep,
Or like the light-rigged crafts that swiftly creep
Across the reaches of the trackless plain,—

The days across Time's ocean take their way,
And each morn finds, within the port of Past,
One ship forever anchored,—Yesterday;
While in the Future's offing, flying fast
Or plodding slow, the Present sails for aye,
To mingle with the fleet of ages vast.

—Sunday School Times.

MODERN PROPHETS AND THEIR MESSAGE.

(By Rev. Raymond Maplesden.)

The modern prophets of whom we write stand as the representatives of one of the greatest spiritual movements of our times. Their names are many, though for the present purpose it will be sufficient to take a few names of representative men through whom this modern movement has found its most powerful expression. All the great epochs in the church's history have had their prophets, and the one upon which we are now entering has its prophets not less renowned that those of the past. My theme then, is modern evangelism as represented by such men as F. B. Meyer, the undenominational Baptist; McGregor, the keen cultured spiritual Presbyterian; Andrew Murray, the Reformed Dutch Churchman, a grave Puritan of the olden type and Africa's greatest contribution to the spiritual forces of our times; Morgan, a prophet of the independent school of the most vigorous and pronounced type.

It can not be denied that, within evangelical Christendom, a new school of prophets has arisen. They come to us with as distinctive a message as did Wesley and Whitfield of a former day. They are slowly formulating a distinct school of theological thought, or, as they would term it, of bible teaching, which is gaining an increasingly strong grip upon the Christian mind, and if we are to accept their testimonies as true,—revolutionizing and transforming hundreds of cold, half-hearted Christian lives.

What should be our attitude toward this movement? Has it within itself anything that will help solve the difficult problems of the churches, and cities? Do these prophets bring us truth? Truth quarried from the bed rock of holy scripture? These are questions which we do well to consider as Christians and churches. For one thing is certain; thousands of our churches and Christians are considering them and seeking earnestly the light which these prophets bring.

The first thing that strikes one regarding these messengers to the churches is the transparent sincerity and honesty of the men. Who would think of impugning the motives, the character, the testimony, the downright honesty, of such men as Meyer, Murray and Morgan? If their message is striking, calling to a cold sleeping church to "Awake, put on thy beautiful garments," the men behind the message are also. Scholarly, intensely spiritual, keenly alive to the spirit of their age, brimming over with a personal enjoyment of the truths they preach, fearlessly probing the conscience, laying bare the raw ulcers of modern church life, they stand before the world, as distinctively prophets with a message, as was Elijah, or Jeremiah or Hosea of old.

Several reasons suggest themselves for a consideration of this theme.

First. The wide spread character of this movement. It is difficult to trace with exactness its history and origin. Its first organized form began at Keswick some twenty-five years ago. It was no doubt in its beginning the result of a strong reaction against prevailing church tendencies. It is undoubtedly true, also, that the rationalism which gave rise to the quietism of Germany, has had something to do with this modern spiritual movement. It is the very antipodes of the new theology and liberalism of our times. It stands for a complete bible, untouched by the critic's scissors and unembellished by the printer's colored ink. Its rallying cry is "Back to Christ," though in an entirely different sense from that of the modern theologian, who, when he bids us "Back to Christ," really bids us cast aside the Pauline, or the apostolic interpretation of Christ. Upon the lips of the modern prophet, "Back to Christ," really means, back to Paul's conception of Christ; back to apostolic simplicity, purity and power.

Beginning in an insignificant way at Keswick, it has spread all around the globe. At our own Northfield, hundreds of church members and scores of ministers, amid the torrid heat of August, crowd the large Auditorium at Northfield to hear the message of these modern prophets. At Melbourne in Australia, in the far off

South, similar conventions are held. At Wellington in South Africa, on the slope of the mountains of India; at Kodikanal Coonoor and Darjeeling accredited leaders of the Keswick movement preach the doctrine of a spirit filled life.

In character the movement resembles that of many others. In its presentation of the doctrine of personal holiness it is somewhat like the Christian Alliance movement, though it is much more careful to clear itself of the imputation of perfectionism. In its attitude towards ecclesiasticism, and the average church member, it is as severe as was Quakerism. In fact it resembles Quakerism in its mystic teaching and in the emphasis it places upon the personal ministry and teaching of the Holy Spirit. It safeguards itself, however, against their errors of giving undue prominence to the Holy Spirit, by giving Christ, the living risen indwelling Christ, the central place in its system. We preach, say its leaders, "not a perfect sinner but a perfect Saviour."

In its appeal for a personal, devout study of the Bible it is not unlike the better forms of Plymouth brethrenism. Without doubt, anyone who gets within sweep of this movement spends more hours in prayerful devotional study of the Bible, than ever he did before. It is exceedingly interesting to note that the great religious movement which arose about the middle of the past century, and which gave rise, outside of organized church life, to what is known as the Plymouth brethren movement (represented by such leaders as Muller and Hudson Taylor), produced also within the organized churches such men as Gordon, Andrew Murray, Meyer and scores of others. Men who in an age of materialism and rationalism, dared to stand squarely, not only for a supernatural faith, but for a supernatural experience of the same; for a life in rich and full abundance.

The modern prophet and his message demand consideration also because of the attitude he sustains toward the churches. Beyond doubt it is that of criticism and dissatisfaction on the one hand, and an intense desire to apply his distinctive teaching as a healing balm on the other. It is a pertinent inquiry whether his diagnosis of the spiritual condition of the churches is right, and whether the remedy he proposes meets the case. Without doubt there is something wrong in modern church life. Let us be free and frank to acknowledge that. Some of the most serious symptoms that confront us are the following:

1. It is an undoubted fact that Sabbath desecration and an increasing drift from the churches, abound on every hand.

2. There is in some quarters, also, a craze for amusements, often invading the house dedicated for prayer and worship and frequently demanding that the pulpit shall be entertaining rather than instructive.

3. The leaders of the young men's movement make the charge—and it is to be feared with a good degree of truth—that the churches have lost their grip upon young men, that the majority of young men of the day are to be found in athletic and bicycle clubs, in secret societies, and not in the churches.

4. There has also been shown an inability on the part of the churches, as organizations, to meet the needs and exigencies of their own missions. National prosperity has greatly improved conditions, but the great missionary societies have long been hampered by, and have struggled against debt, finding themselves scarcely able to maintain work already begun, and in many instances unable to enter the open doors which call vainly to the churches for an adequate supply of laborers.

5. There is the apologetic attitude of many pulpits. So many preachers called to preach the word, simply on the defensive. Defending the Word of God instead of preaching it. Apologizing for the supernatural instead of demonstrating it by the life and power of the Spirit.

6. There is the appalling paucity of spiritual results in the line of direct soul-saving work, in and by the churches. Large churches (as well as small ones) who hold theoretically to the doctrine of a regenerated life, as the only condition of Eternal life, and yet who present, year by year, results which are ridiculously small in comparison with the numerical strength of the churches and the financial expenditure involved.

7. And then—and this is the last indictment—there is a disastrous paralysis in regard to the discipline of the churches. In fact the word discipline has become obsolete in the case of many. The hand that would lop off dead branches, and roll away dead weights is held back by family interest, and prudential considerations, and thus the beauty of the vine is marred and its fruitfulness destroyed.

These are some of the conditions which the modern Prophet declares exist, and which we have fairly and frankly to face.

[Editorial note. Owing to the length of Rev. Mr. Maplesden's article, we are compelled to divide it, the second part to appear in our February number. This article is of special value and timeliness, owing to the coming evangelical mission in this city of Rev. Campbell G. Morgan.]

METHODISM ON WHEELS IN THE ORIENT.

By Rev. C. F. Reid, D. D.

We wanted to get to Wonsan, on the eastern coast of Korea, and by taking a little Japanese cargo-boat at Kobe hoped to catch a coastwise steamer at Fusan, and thus save ourselves several days' time and a difficult overland journey of a hundred and sixty miles. Alas for our hopes! we arived at Fusan only to learn that our steamer had left the day before, and that there would be no other for twenty days! We then decided to stick to our cargo-boat, and in due time arived in Seoul, with a gain of about a week over the regular passenger route.

KOREAN COOLIES.

Our work at Wonsan was still before us, and to reach that city we had the choice of four methods of travel: We might walk, we might risk the uncanny Korean pony, we might be carried in chairs, or we might try a combination of walking and bicycle riding. As either of the first three methods involved a certain ten days' and a probable two weeks' journey, we decided on the bicycle.

We had sent forward a pony loaded with provisions and bedding two days before, with orders to wait for us at Chi-kiung-tuh, a town on the road, two hundred li (sixty-six miles) from

The Burden-Bearer Getting a New Set of Shoes.

Seoul. It was a glorious August morning, with the promise of something warm before night, as we whirled out past the great Bell Tower, through the little East Gate, and away over the plains toward our first station. We had planned to overtake the pony with hamper and bedding the first night out, travel with it the next day, and the third morning to leave it, cross the range of mountains along the eastern coast, and make a desperate effort to pull into Wonsan, thus completing the journey in three days.

For the first ten miles we were much interrupted by long processions of bulls, laden with fuel and vegetables for the city market. At our left towered the mighty crags of Poo-kan, around us the lovely valley smiled with promise of the coming harvest, and above blazed an August sun. When we had proceeded about twenty miles, I announced that I was very thirsty. Then Dr. Ross began to magnify his office. He discoursed eloquently on the subject of microbes and their connection with typhoid, typhus, flux, etc., and the absolute certainty that every drop of water now or likely to be in sight contained at least a million of these death-dealers. The result of the Doctor's discourse was to make Brother Moose feel uneasy and to make me feel like a horrible sinner against myself, and everybody likely to be called in to nurse me, when at last I threw myself down and slaked my burning thirst at a deliciously cool wayside spring.

At least a dozen times between Seoul and Wonsan we were compelled either to wait for a coolie kind enough to lend us his back or to strip in greater or less degree to wade streams from knee-deep to waist-deep. The Korean laborer is accustomed to carry heavy burdens on his back, and is so good-natured that he rarely refuses a polite invitation to help one across a stream. He is usually barefooted or shod with straw sandals that he slips on and off with little trouble, and seems rather to enjoy showing his skill and strength.

We were getting warm and not a little hungry when we rode into the little village of Pa-pool-mak, the most conspicuous mark of which was the flag staff standing in front of our little chapel. O, but it was a comfort to get out of the hot sun and to throw ourselves prone on the clean, fresh mats that covered the chapel floor! We found our class leader busy teaching one of the neighbors how to read in the New Testament. He was delighted to see us, and began running around, making arrangements for our entertainment, and all the time pouring out questions as fast as he could talk, and much faster than we could answer. A year ago we had no organized work on the road to Wonsan; now we have this band of Christians at Pa-pool-mak, and this neat chapel built by themselves; another still larger company a few li off the main road; and at Chi-kiung-tuh, where we expected to spend the night, a much larger and better chapel, with between seventy-five and a hundred believers. It is wonderful how the work is spreading in Korea, and if we were only able to man it properly, there is every reason to believe that in five years this en-

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tire province of Kang-won would be fairly well evangelized.

It was eleven o'clock; we had traveled ninety li (thirty miles), and had still a hundred and twenty li to travel before we would reach our supper and beds. After an hour's rest and a good lunch we were in the saddle again. All went well for about an hour, when we came to the brink of quite a broad stream, which we proceeded to wade. Brother Moose and Dr. Ross might as well have gone in as they were, for they failed to roll their trousers high enough, and in the middle of the stream Brother Moose stepped on a sharp rock, and down into the water came bicycle, shoes, etc., which accident so excited the Doctor, just behind him, that he went in over all arrangements.

We pulled into Chi-kiung-tuh just as daylight was disappearing. Considering the roads, the rivers, and the unaccustomed labor, we felt that we had well earned our supper, and proceeded to eat with much satisfaction. Everything was done by our native Christians to make us comfortable.

After an excellent night's rest and an early breakfast we started the pony with instructions to proceed to a village about forty li ahead, and there to await our arrival, while we remained behind to hold service with our Korean friends. What a pleasure it was to talk to and with these bright, eager Christians here in the very heart of the country! About forty came in, and we spent a full hour singing, praying, reading, and talking in a free, conversational way about the lesson. Several of these men were evidently among the best people in the town. The mission had not been asked to spend a cent of money here, and yet in less than a year they had provided themselves with one of the best chapels in the mission, with extra buildings for the care-taker and reception room. I predict that Chi-kiung-tuh will soon become one of the most important country stations. Since our visit, another class has been formed fifteen li beyond, and a promising work has been begun in a large and magisterial town still farther on toward Wonsan.

Our second day's journey was in higher altitudes; roads not so good; more ups and downs, where we had to walk; and an abundance of fine mountain water, to which even Dr. Ross did not object. We passed our pony a little more than an hour after leaving Chi-kiungtuh and then had an hour to wait for it at the place where we were to lunch. Here we found a Dane with several ponies and a large retinue of servants. He had left Seoul two days before us, which fact illustrates the advantage of the bicycle over the Korean pony. He said he was going to the Diamond Mountain for a few days' hunting, which remark was doubtless made to excuse the abundance of firearms that hung about his person and peeped from out his luggage. I noticed that he had a complete prospecting outfit of picks, pans, shovels, etc. He saw me eying a cradle for washing out gold, and threw a

A Wayside Idol.

Also Taking a Ride.

blanket over it, saying that it was a stepladder he used for taking photographs. He was evidently not expecting to run across foreigners thus far from an open port.

We rode into Chang-do just at dusk, having traveled only a hundred li that day (a little over thirty miles). Our pony did not arrive until after 9 o'clock, long before which time I had ordered some Korean food and had taken the edge off my appetite.

Our innkeper at Chang-do was the finest specimen of his class I had met in Korea. He was also a merchant and kept the best shop in town, and was very much of a gentleman. It is always more trouble to entertain foreigners than natives, and less remunerative, as they usually carry their own provisions. According to Korean custom, nothing is charged for lodging, the profit accruing to the house coming entirely from the food. Knowing this and wishing to compensate our host for the use of his nice, clean rooms and exceedingly kind attentions, I slipped a silver yen into his hand as we were leaving. It was promptly returned, and I saw that to insist would be an offense. He would receive only a few cents for my supper and a modest compensation for the eggs and charcoal he had furnished.

Two hundred and twenty li, with Wonsan at the other end of it, was the task we had set for our third day. The first half of the road lay over a succession of mountain passes and the last hundred li a level stretch up the eastern coast to Wonsan.

It was just good daylight as we left the inn, and a half-hour's pleasant ride over a high tableland brought us to the north branch of the Han River. At this point the Han glides smoothly along the bottom of the narrow gorge four or five hundred feet deep, and with sides so precipitous that a good hour was consumed in climbing up and down the path by which the river is approached on each side. A few miles beyond the river we were fairly in the mountains. Progress being much slower, we had more time to admire the fine mountain scenery. The character of growing crops had altogether changed. Instead of the rice fields of the plains and lower valleys, we now had corn, several varieties of millet, and an occasional field of oats or buckwheat. Often strips of cultivated fields would extend to the very top of the mountain, making a very pretty picture in its dark framing of forest trees. A little farther on we came upon quite a body of men washing gold out of the sand and gravel in the bed of the mountain stream. Their methods were very crude; but, by the way they were working, it was evident that they were finding some compensation. Following this stream, we saw several places that had been already worked over and the sand and gravel left in great heaps.

At the top of every mountain pass we found a little house about eight feet square. They were dedicated to the presiding demon of the particular place they occupied. They were usually in good condition. Sometimes the house would contain a hideous wooden image, but more often a picture or a wooden tablet, and not infrequently a mere wisp of straw or a bundle of old rags is deemed a satisfactory home for his terrible Majesty. Evidences of recent worship were usually plentiful, a handful of rice, a bowl of kimchi, or perhaps a few peculiarly shaped stones, especially such as had marks of being worn by the action of the water. These are thought to be especially acceptable, but I could not learn why. Abject fear is the only motive, and propitiation the chief idea, in the worship of a Korean. I saw a pony driver prostrate himself before one of these filthy fetiches, and my heart was hot with indignation and humiliation at the debasement of mind and spirit.

It was four o'clock before we reached the top of the last great pass. I have

A Korean Plowman.

crossed the American Continent by all the roads from the Canadian Pacific to the Sunset Route, and traveled quite extensively in Japan, Korea, and China, but never elsewhere have I beheld such a view as burst upon our sight when we came around a corner of rocks and saw the eastern plain of Korea spread out before us. The mountain upon which we were standing sloped so rapidly to the plain, two miles below, that, apparently, a rock once started would never stop until it reached the bottom. Away to the north and east the fertile plain was covered with the ripening harvest. Hamlets resting in clumps of foliage made pretty contrasts and suggested comfort, while numerous streams added their silver sheen to complete the picture. We could have cheerfully dispensed with this last feature of the landscape, for we knew that they had to be crossed, and that probably there were no bridges.

By the time we were well under way the sun sank behind the hills. A quick span of fifteen li over a

FERRYBOAT ON THE HAN RIVER.

splendid road brought us to a village by the bank of a river. In the gathering dusk we espied a man with a basket of the little green melons so common in Korea. There was a hurried dismount and a fierce onslaught on the contents of the basket.

The villagers gathered around us, and our ears were soon greeted with such remarks as "Ai-go!" [Did you ever!] "Yobo!" [Look here!] as some spectator called a distant friend to come and see the show. They told us it was still eighty li to Wonsan, and advised us to remain for the night. When we asked who would help us across the river a young man stepped out and offered his services.

On the other side, our friend informed us that there was another stream half a mile farther on, and volunteered to see us over that as well. We were glad to accept, and he was soon trotting behind us, and was ready with his strong back when we reached the other ford.

A full moon now flooded the plain with light, and we would have found it pleasant riding had it not been for a rather stiff head wind and the severe labor among the mountains during the earlier part of the day. As the night wore on I found that I was losing consciousness below the knees, and that whenever anything caused a dismount it required several efforts to regain the saddle. We gradually lost the alertness required for traveling strange roads in the night, which I was near paying for very dearly. Spinning down a gentle grade, my pedal suddenly struck a stone. Bicycle went one way and man the other. The way I tore up about ten feet of gravel makes me shiver and feel of my nose even now as I write; but had I met my accident three feet farther on I probably would not be writing at all, for a big rock would have caught my head in mid-flight, and obituaries would have been in order.

Brother Moose's wheel began to show signs of giving out long before we reached Wonsan, and had to be pumped up every few minutes. The last few miles were a burden, and when at last we pulled up in front of Dr. Hardie's door, at two o'clock in the morning, we were as limp a trio as one could wish to see. We lifted our voices. The house was soon in commotion and busy hands were ministering to our comfort. The boys wanted supper, but the senior pilgrim wanted a bed; and as he sank down in its snowy softness the jumble of foaming rivers, rocky mountain paths, and glorious landscapes gradually lost distinctive features, and nature's sweet restorer began its gracious work.—The Review of Missions.

The churches understand their duty better than they perform it. It is the energy of performance they need, rather than the lumber of information.

ASYLUM HILL CONGREGATIONAL.

The activities in the church have greatly increased during the past year, and there is a very encouraging outlook to accomplish much. The Young People's Federation is active in all its branches. The Mission Study Class begins its course of six meetings Monday evening, Jonuary 19, others to follow on successive Monday evenings. They are to be in charge of Mr. Goodsell, of the Hartford Theological Seminary and the subject is Japan. Only 20 can take active part in the work, but all are welcome as listeners. The meetings are held in the chapel at 7 o'clock.

The Mission Club held a very largely attended meeting with Mrs. J. Lincoln Fenn on Collins street, January 7. Miss Harmony Twitchell gave an interesting account of her work as a district nurse in Chicago. Tea was served and a social hour followed. The first work meeting was held a week later, where garments were begun for the children's ward of the Hartford hospital. These meetings will take place fortnightly. The social meeting of the whole Federation took place Friday, January 9, in the chapel. It was called "College Night" and proved most attractive.

The Junior Circle, also a part of the Federation, met Friday afternoon January 9, and were addressed by Miss Lewis.

The Men's Class, whose meetings have been arranged by a committee from the Federation, is having an interesting season. The hour is 12.10 and the place the southeast corner of the main church building. All are welcome. Notice of subjects in the daily papers of Saturday.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society meets Wednesday at 3 o'clock and the annual histories of church and Sunday-school well be read on Thursday evening.

We counted ourselves fortunate in being able to hear Mrs. Houghton, of the McCall Mission in Paris, last Friday evening. French hymns were sung.

A reception was given to the pastor and his wife on Tuesday evening last.

UNITY CHURCH.

The December social was held on the evening of December 14. A pantomime, "The Bachelor who lived by himself," was given by members of Miss Lanphear's class, John Shirley taking the title role. A trio was given by Miss Lanphear, piano, Miss Healy, cornet, and Mr. Brown, violin. Mr. Shirley the rendered two Scotch songs in a very pleasing manner. In spite of the snowy weather a good number were present and a very pleasant social was enjoyed.

The Christmas entertainment took place Friday evening, December 26. The pantomime of the Bachelor was repeated by request and delighted the large audience.

A pleasing one act farce "No Cure, No Pay," was most acceptably presented by young ladies of the Sunday-school and several selections were given by the smaller children. The school then adjounred to the parlor where a lighted and beautifully decorated Christmas tree diverted them and presents were distributed. A beautiful water color, painted by Mr. Wentworth, was presented to Mrs. J. Q. Baker by Mr. Ira Mather, the present superintendent, "as a token of appreciation of her eight year's work in the Sunday-school from her friends in the Sunday-school and the Society."

A fine edition of Guizot's history of France in eight volumes was given to Miss Reardon by her class.

On the evening of Jan. 2, Mr. White, assisted by the Hospitality Committee, gave a reception to members and friends of the society on the occasion of his tenth anniversary as pastor. The parlors were beautifully decorated in crimson and white and the stage set as a drawing room. The hall was lighted by Chinese lanterns. In the receiving party were Mr. Waite, Miss Reardon, Mr. Honiss, Mrs. Husband and Miss Mary V. Waite. It was estimated that 400 persons were presented. The ushers were Messrs. Mather, Cutting, Searle, Starkweather and Halliday. Shortly after 9 o'clock, Mr. Waite called the audience to order and called on the quartette for a selection. They gave "How can a bird help singing" and "The Butterfly Gavotte." Rev. John Coleman Adams gave a witty and pleasing address, highly appreciative of our church and pastor. Rev. Mr. Ranney followed and spoke of his debt to Unitarianism.

Mr. Forrest Morgan felicitated the society on Mr. Waite's pastorate. Mr. Honiss in behalf of the society presented Mr. Waite with a purse of $250 in gold. Mr. Waite responded in a felicitous, short speech and the exercises closed with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne." Ice cream and refreshments were served. Emmons' orchestra furnished music through the evening.

TRINITY CHURCH.

Rt. Rev. L. H. Wells, Bishop of Missionary District of Spokane, preached at the morning service, January 11. The afternoon of the same day Bishop Moor land, of the District of Sacramento, addressed the Sunday-school, telling of his experiences in that section. Both were very interesting speakers.

The Sunday-school Christmas entertainment took place on the evening of December 26, and was a very interest-

ing occasion. "The Doll's Christmas" and "The Children of the Nations," by our own scholars, were both hits, and the presentations by classes of gifts for the poor and needy was an impressive feature.

Most of the articles, consisting of canned goods, cereals, potatoes, clothing, charcoal, a ton of coal, etc., were sent to The Open Hearth, for distribution. Superintendent Miller came the following Sunday afternoon and in an interesting manner told of the joy brought to many an East side family thereby.

Wednesday, January 14, there was a parish reception given by Rev. and Mrs. E. F. deMiel, Rev. H. K. B. Ogle and Mrs. A. M. Ogle, in the parish house.

A large attendance made it an enjoyable occasion, though it was to be regretted that Mrs. Ogle was unable to attend, by reason of temporary infirmity. Mrs. Ogle is now much improved.

Tuesday, January 27, Bishop Partridge of Japan will preach in the evening in the church, followed by an informal reception in the parish house.

Thursday, January 15, the rector reviewed the quarter's lessons before the Sunday-school teachers and scholars, using stereopticon illustrations.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, WEST HARTFORD.

A meeting of the Junior Auxiliary Missinary Society was held at the parsonage, Friday afternoon, December 12. Mrs. Hodgdon gave an interesting account of her recent western and southern trip.

Our pastor, Rev. T. M. Hodgdon, feeling imperative need of rest and change, has left town, to be gone a month or more. Prof. C. M. Geer, Rev. H. E. Harb and Rev. L. H. Higgins have occupied the pulpit on successive Sundays during the pastor's absence.

The annual church meeting which was called for January 1, adjourned, without doing business, until Thursday, February 12, at which time the pastor will be able to attend. Instead of the usual Christmas tree with gifts to our young people, a committee was in attendance at the chapel, on Christmas morning, from 9 o'clock to 11 o'clock, to receive gifts of fruit, vegetables, fuel, clothing, toys and books, which were distributed to the needy in our town.

On Sunday, December 28, the Sunday-school held a general review exercise. Solos were sung by Miss Louise V. N. Day and Mr. M. L. Bristol and brief essays on prominent bible characters were given by members of the school.

On Sunday evening, December 28, Mr. W. H. Hall gave a lecture, illustrated by stereopticon views, on Old Testament History and Characters. At the close of the service, "The Holy City" and "Nearer, My God, to Thee," were sung and illustrated by fine colored views.

BLOOMFIELD CONGREGATIONAL.

The annual meeting was held the first of January. The changes in church membership have been such that the number on the roll was exactly the same as a year ago, viz: 140. Of these 95 are women and 45 are men. At the roll call 96 answered to their names either in person or by communication. Only one death occurred during 1902. The reports of the various church officers were real, those of the Sunday-school being the most encouraging. A bountiful supper was furnished by the ladies and enjoyed by about seventy.

A "Calico Conclave" was held Friday evening, January 16, at the home of deacon N. F. Miller. Socially it was considered a success and nearly $10 was taken in from admissions and fines.

The annual meeting of the Ecclesiastical Society occurs February 2. An effort is being made to have all pledges collected by that time, so that we may know exactly where we stand financially. It is believed that the attempt to pay off one thousand dollars of indebtedness the past year will have proved successful and thus afford an opportunity for rejoicing for this lightening of the load.

The church edifice had a very narrow escape from destruction by fire the last Sunday in the old year. A wooden molding, not sufficiently protected from the stove pipe, was just ready to burst into flames, when smoke was discovered coming up through the floor in the audience room. By destroying a short partition in the Sunday-school room, the charred place was taken out just in time.

The missionary meeting of the C. E. Society was addressed Sunday evening, January 25, by one of the missionary workers of the Seminary in Hartford. The missionary funds of the society on hand were lately distributed to the A. B. C. F. M., the Alaska mission, Mrs. Ballington Booth's work for released prisoners, and to the A. M. A. for work in Porto Rico.

A purse, or, to be exact, a barrel of money, was presented to the pastor at the annual meeting, January 1. The barrel was of basket work and the contents amounted to $42.

FOURTH CONGREGATIONAL.

Christmas was celebrated in much the usual way. On the evening of December 26, the Sunday-school entertainment was given, which this year consisted of the work entitled, "The Christ Child in Story, Art and Song." The combination of Christmas carols and steriopticon pictures proved very effective. Sunday, December 28, was observed as Christmas Sunday. In the morning services the newly organized choral choir sang for the first time and added greatly in the worship. In the evening the chorus choir of the church, assisted by Mr. Leon Wheeler, gave a fine musical program to a large congregation. The Christmas decorations this year were sent by the ladies of the Central Congregational church of Atlanta, Georgia, and were the best the church has ever had.

On New Year's eve, was held the New Year's service, in which several clergymen took part. Prof. A. R. Merriam of the Seminary, Dr. Edward Hawes and Rev. J. L. Kilbon, spoke. The chapel was comfortably filled and the service proved interesting and helpful.

The pastor's annual reception was held Friday evening, January 16, and was preceded by the annual meeting of the church. The reports of the work of the church for the year 1902 were read by J. H. Bardin, J. F. Pierce, W. B. Mucklow, E. J. Mack, H. A. Barker, Miss M. E. Doherty and H. D. Sleeper. After the reading of the reports the company adjourned to the chapel where the pastor received, tea and cocoa being served by the ladies.

A rather unique service was held Sunday morning, when a class of twenty-three were promoted from the primary department and a class of thirty-one from the Junior Department of the Sunday-school. Following the promotion services the officers and teachers of the Sunday-school were installed by the pastor. Dr. George E. Dawson of the Bible Normal College, gave an address on "Why do we teach?" which was very suggestive to the teachers present.

NORTH METHODIST.

Superintendent Howard A. Camp, has been on the sick list for two weeks, but is better now.

The Christian Endeavor Society is in good condition and new members are added monthly.

The organ recital by Miss Elsie J. Dresser, assisted by Miss Farmer, was a pleasant affair and largely attended.

Our pastor, Rev. D. W. Howell, is preaching a series of sermons on Christ, which are listened to with much interest by large congregations.

Captain John M. Parker's class meetings are well attended as are the bible class meetings of Mrs. Freeman.

WINDSOR AVE. CONGREGATIONAL

At the last communion service many of the young people united with the church on confession of faith and several joined by letter.

The church held its annual reunion and social Tuesday evening, January 13. A large number of members were present and a very enjoyable evening was spent. Refreshments were served.

The Choral Club of the church meets for rehearsals Monday evenings, at the close of the Y. P. S. C. E. meeting.

The following officers were chosen for the ensuing six months at the last

business meeting of the Endeavor Society: President, Ruth Palmer; vice-president, Harry Barnes; secretary, Edith Hood; treasurer, Jennie Lester.

The money for the support of our foreign pastor, Mr. Knapp, in Harpoot, Turkey, for last year, has all been raised and nearly enough has been promised thus far for 1903.

The Ladies' Aid Society is getting ready to send a box of clothing to the colored people in the South.

FARMINGTON AVE. CONGREGATIONAL.

The annual meeting was held Thursday, January 8, and the entire list of officers of church and Sunday-school were re-elected with the exception of Mr. E. B. Cook, who has been secretary of the Sunday-school for twenty-six years and declined a re-election. Reports showed all branches to be in a flourishing condition.

Mr. Raymond Jacobs was admitted into our fellowship on confession of faith and Mr. Lee Chew, by letter, at the communion service, Sunday, January 4.

The Mission Study Class will meet at 8:30 p. m., Thursday, January 22, to take up the subject "Turkey."

Mr. Charles A. Stanley of the Theological Seminary, will be the leader.

The Chinese Sunday-school is still holding sessions at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoons, and would be glad to see any visitors interested in this work.

This department will tender their teachers a New Year's entertainment Monday, February 2.

The young people's meeting, led by our pastor, Sunday evening, January 18, was one of great enjoyment. Mr. Kelly, the tenor of the church choir, gave two excellent solos.

The parish reception, usually held at the beginning of the year, will take place Friday evening, January 23.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

We had the rare pleasure, Sunday, January 18, of listening to one of our foreign missionaries, as he told us of the work in China.

Rev. G. H. Malone, who has charge of the mission station in Nan-king, is at present in this country for rest and recuperation. He gave an account of the work in China which was very encouraging, finishing with a strong plea for more workers.

Our pastor is soon to lend his aid for a week or two in missionary work in the Catskill region. He will be absent the first two Sundays in February and the pulpit will be supplied by Rev. Mr. Purdy, our State evangelist.

Our Loyal Workers Society is considering the feasibility of organizing a junior society.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN.

The church rejoices over the completion of the work of raising the debt. Appropriate services were held on Sunday, November 23, and on the following Tuesday, when the mortgage notes were burned amid great enthusiasm.

The ladies of the church held a sale and supper at the Y. M. C. A. building on the afternoon and evening of December 9, which was largely attended and very successful. A good sum of money was netted for the work of the church.

The pastor of the church has planned a forward movement in the spiritual work of the church for the next three months. Cottage prayer meetings are being held in various parts of the city and special emphasis is laid upon individual work on the part of the members of the church.

The regular quarterly communion service was observed the first Sunday in January. Eight were received into the church, four by letter and four on profession of faith.

Our organist, Mr. J. Clair Beebe, will give a recital in the church on the evening of February 6. He will be supported by the church choir and by his brother, tenor of the First Baptist church of Meriden.

The Sunday-school has established a Cradle Roll Department, enrolling the names of all the children in the congregation, too young to attend the primary department.

NEWINGTON CONGREGATIONAL.

The Christmas scene from "The Birds' Christmas Carol" was given for our Christmas entertainment.

Our annual Church Day celebration was held on January 1. Supper was served at 6 o'clock. During the evening a sum of money was presented to our superintendent, Mr. Joshua Belden, it being a gift of appreciation from the teachers and scholars.

A very pleasant C. E. social was held at the parsonage January 16.

The Ladies' Aid Society will hold a rally meeting on January 22. All the ladies of the church will be invited and it is hoped great interest will be aroused in the work for the coming year. The past year has been very successful and greater success is looked for.

Dr. and Mrs. Griswold joined our church by letter from Portland.

A new deacon is to be chosen the first Sunday in February.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH.

A very impressive midnight service was held in the church on New Year's Eve, beginning at 11:15, conducted by the rector, Rev. George R. Warner, assisted by the Rev. R. N. Burton. There was a celebration of the Holy Communion, and an interesting and instructive address by Mr. Warner. There was a very good attendance.

The new organ is appreciated by the congregation. Mr. Charles R. Fisher is the organist, and there are a number of new voices in the choir, forming a chorus, in addition to the regular quartette. We are anticipating an organ recital, to be given in February.

The Ladies' Guild have had a number of pleasant gatherings this winter at the homes of members, the gentlemen going to tea and for the evening.

CENTER CONGREGATIONAL.

The Boys' Club, "Knights of King Arthur," is in a very flourishing condition and the boys are now getting ready for their anniversary, to be held early in February.

The Teachers' Training Class meets every Monday, at 2 p. m., in the church parlors.

The Foreign Missionary Class meets every other week, at 4 p. m., on Mondays.

Tuesday evening, January 20, the teachers of the Sunday-school gave a tea in the church parlors and all had a very pleasant and sociable time.

The teachers' meeting is held every Thursday evening, at 7 p. m., immediately before the usual Thursday evening social worship.

OUR Sunday afternoon vesper services attract large and worshipful audiences, and every endeavor is made to make this service of popular interest and helpfulness.

SOUTH PARK METHODIST.

Special evangelistic meetings are being held in the chapel every evening except Saturday, and are proving very helpful and inspiring. Among those who have given very helpful addresses are Dr. McCormick of the First M. E. church, Dr. McNicholl of New Britain and Dr. Goodenough of Bristol, who has spoken several evenings and preached on Sunday, January 18.

On Friday evening, January 23, Rev. W. A. Richard of New Haven, presiding elder of the district, and a former pastor of the church, will speak and after the meeting will hold the fourth quarterly conference.

A union watch-night service was held New Year's eve, in which the First M. E. church united. There was a very interesting and diversified program, closing with a love-feast and prayer service.

Sunday, January 11, and the following Sunday, January 18, were observed as decision days in the Sunday-school.

Mr. C. N. Ruedlinger, whose advertisement appears on another page, is a specialist in pruning trees, shrubs, etc. He has also been very successful in eradicating the San Jose scale, which is destroying many fine trees in this vicinity. Proper pruning is a scientific matter as each plant has its most favorable time for the purpose, and many are greatly injured by being pruned at the wrong season.

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THE TRAMP PROBLEM.

Attention has been called to one feature of the tramp problem, of particularly local interest, by Supt. Green of the Charity Organization Society, and a condition of affairs has been revealed of no credit to this, or any other community, similarly afflicted.

The number of tramps in this country, the many peculiar features of their fraternity, the class distinctions in their own midst, their conclaves, their singular phraseology, signs, etc., are all matters concerning which most people are comparatively ignorant and yet are of extreme interest to any student of social conditions.

As a class they display a surprising amount of intelligence and shrewdness, which accounts largely for the comparative ease with which they prey upon society, year after year, and ever, apparently, in increasing numbers.

The "Independent Order of the Never Sweats" is as old as history, yet it by no means need follow that they will ever remain. Other evils which had existed from time immemorial, have been abolished through the vigorous and intelligent efforts of reformers within the past century, and the task of eradicating the tramp nuisance is by no means a hopeless one.

Our local methods of dealing with them are crude and we actually foster them instead of taking effective means for their suppression. In fact, comparatively little has been done anywhere to abolish this army of social parasites.

In Chicago the problem has been given some practical attention in the establishment of the Municipal Lodging House, and similar institutions can be found in a number of cities, including our neighbor, Springfield, and the results have been satisfactory in all instances, but the very methods which have driven the majority of tramps out of these cities have driven them into other communities, and our own has received its full share.

One great need of Hartford to-day is a municipal lodging house, with compulsory baths and work for its vagrants. Coincident with its establishment, the police station should entirely cease to take in lodgers. Then if individuals could be impressed with the fact, that giving money or food to tramps but served to encourage and perpetuate that class, and instead, could send them for a meal to the municipal quarters, it is safe to say that the number of tramps infesting this vicinity would be at once reduced over fifty per cent.

Present conditions should be tolerated here no longer. If the municipality has not the wisdom or backbone to take some effective action at once, then let the matter be taken up by some of our charitable societies. Even if introduced at the start on a small scale, the test might prove a valuable object lesson and eventually result in adequate and wholly effective action.

TWENTY-SECOND BIRTHDAY OF CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

As the Christian Endeavor movement comes to its twenty-second birthday, it finds that there are 62,132 societies of Christian Endeavor of all kinds in the world. Of these, something over 44,000 are Young People's; over 16,000 are Junior societies; about 1,400 are Intermediate societies: and the rest, Seniors', Mothers', Floating, and miscellaneous societies. All told, these societies contain over three and one-half millions of members.

From every standpoint the last year has been one of the best that the Society has ever known.

Of this total, nearly 44,000 societies are found in the United States, while nearly 9,000 are found in Great Britain, 4,000 in Canada, and the other 4,000 in Australia, India, China, Japan, Turkey, the countries of continental Europe, and the islands of the sea.

On this twenty-second anniversary it is possible to say, without qualification or exaggeration, that the Christian Endeavor movement is world-wide. Every country has its Christian Endeavor contingent, and in most of them the Society is thoroughly established, with a national organization to foster its growth. There is no foreign control, but every national society chooses its own officers from among its own members.

The growth of the Society on the continent of Europe has been particularly gratifying during the past year. In Italy, Spain, France, Portugal, Sweden, and Switzerland, national Christian Endeavor organizations have been established, and in several others a movement looking in this direction has begun. In India and China, too, the growth has been large, and in Persia the societies have increased eightfold.

The prison work of Christian Endeavor during the past year has been greatly prospered. Nearly twenty States now have prison societies, and some 4,000 prisoners, converted, of course, after their conviction, have been active members of the Society. The career of those who have been discharged from prison has shown a real change and that their lives had been revolutionized.

The "Comrades of the Quiet Hour" are those Christian Endeavorers who agree to spend at least fifteen minutes every day in meditation, communion, and prayer.

More than 30,000 are thus enrolled, and the influence of the "Quiet Hour" has been very marked upon the movement.

The Tenth Legion consists of those Endeavorers who esteem it a privilege to give at least one-tenth of their income for the spread of the kingdom of God. Nearly 20,000 have enrolled themselves under this banner, and as nearly as can be ascertained the gifts of Endeavor societies amount to more than $500,000 a year for the advancement of the cause of Christ through their own churches and denominations.

The evangelistic efforts of the Endeavorers have been steadily upon the increase of late years, and at least 200,000 young people come into the churches every year through the gateway of the Society, influenced in part at least by its meetings and fellowship.

The January meeting of the Hartford Sunday-school Superintendents' Union will be held in the parlors of Center Church, Monday evening, January 26, at 7:30 o'clock. The general topic will be "Primary Work." Mrs. L. A. Goddard, of Somers, Conn., will be present to open the discussion. Mrs. Goddard's training and wide experience admirably fit her for this duty.

The passing of Mrs. Virginia T. Smith removes from our midst a

philanthropic worker of ceaseless energy and most kindly dispositlon. In her work, especially for children, she has builded for herself a monument and memorial more enduring than granite.

A few months ago the theory was suggested in these columns that our city gas consisted largely of "Dutch Point atmosphere." The recent chemical investlgation seems to justify such a statement as founded on fact. The officials of the gas company seem to be doing some very practical work on behalf of "municipal gas."

Our thanks are due, and hereby tendered, to City Clerk Henry F. Smith, for the loan of the excellent cut of the Capitol, shown on our front cover.

The miners could scarcely have done anything to so effectually alienate popular sympathy for their cause, and to injure the cause of labor in general, than to turn the Christmas season into a prolonged holiday and in many cases, a debauch. It seems evident that neither miners, nor operators, are deserving of a tithe of the sympathy compared to the suffering public.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, EAST HARTFORD.

The souvenir volume of the Bicentennial of the church has been issued. Only three hundred copies are issued and two-thirds of the edition is already disposed of. It is a much finer volume than it was designed to make at the outset.

Miss Helen Rist, who died this month, will be very much missed by a wide circle of friends.

The annual meeting of the church was held January 14. Ninety-nine sat down to the supper. The old officers were re-elected, except that Miss Mary L. Williams was chosen as historian in place of Miss Lillie M Huntting, who declined re-election, having served acceptably for four years; and Mr. Everett S. Williams was elected to the standing committee.

The efforts to raise a thousand dollars last year, for the church debt, were successful, that amount and a small amount towards the thousand for this year, being raised.

Rev. George W. Reynolds of South Manchester, exchanged pulpits with our pastor, January 18. He preached a unique sermon on "The Books Were Opened," showing how, as a scientific fact, every act, every word and every thought left its record to be produced for the judgment.

WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

On January 6, our session was held at the "Rooms for Housekeeping," 69 Pratt street, which will be our meeting-place for the present. Members present were requested to express themselves upon the query, "Why do I choose to belong to the W. C. T. U.?" The reasons given were varied and interesting.

On Tuesday, January 20, Mr. N. H. Jacks, of the Y. M. C. A., is to address the Union upon the subject:—Does the drink evil menace our boys? Devotional services to be led by Mrs. D. W. Howell.

WARBURTON CHAPEL.

Our Christmas for the different departments began with that of the kindergarten, which was held on the afternoon of Friday, December 20. Gifts were distributed to the children and their parents after the program of song and story. The chapel had been prettily decorated with evergreen boughs and flags, while around the room were bells covered with laurel leaves connected by ropes of laurel twigs to a large bell suspended over the pulpit.

The Christmas for the primary department was held on Wednesday afternoon, December 24, and consisted of music and singing, with recitations and a reading of the story from the Bible of the first Christmas. The teachers had provided presents for their scholars and their mothers.

The general entertainment was given on Tuesday evening, December 30. As usual the chapel was filled with the parents and friends with the school, and an attractive program was carried out. The singing by the choir was specially pleasing.

The work of the gymnasium class, under Mr. Edward Benedict's leadership, was roundly applauded, as was the duet with a whistling chorus given by Frederick and Arthur Koch.

After the recitations, music and marches, Santa Claus himself appeared much to the delight of both juveniles and adults. His words and presence counted much more than the gifts which he brought.

The records for the past year showed an advance in many directions, the number enrolled, the amount of work done and the departments maintained with several new branches added.

The enrollment of 214 teachers and scholars is eight more than the number enrolled one year ago.

During the year 122 names were added and 114 dropped. Ten scholars were promoted from the primary to the intermediate department and 24 bibles were distributed.

The boys and young men in the Sunday-school outnumber the girls and young ladies.

Our offerings for the year were $399.68, all of which has been appropriated for purposes outside the parish.

One of our scholars, Hattie Pauch, died at the hospital Friday, January 16. The funeral service was held on Sunday, conducted by Mr. Potter.

At present there is an epidemic of measles in our neighborhood, also many cases of whooping cough are reported. There is still a scarcity of fuel but many are now burning wood and no longer depending upon coal, having found that when most needed coal cannot be obtained. We all hope that the prevailing conditions which control the coal supply will lead to such legislation, or other remedy that the experiences of this winter cannot be repeated. In one family where there was sickness, no fuel could be obtained on a certain Saturday, but a promise was given that if some one would come for the coal at 6 o'clock on Sunday morning some coal would be sold. When the coal was called for on Sunday morning one bag was sold for $1, and the needy family thought themselves fortunate to get even that amount.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The Opera House meetings for men, conducted by the Young Men's Christian Association, have had a large attendance and splendid interest during the last Sabbaths of the old year. Speakers for the next few weeks are as follows:—

Sunday, January 25, Rev. C. A. Barbour of Rochester, N. Y., topic, "The Greatest Battle;" February 1, J. W. Gangloff of New York City, topic, "A Humorist's Talk to Men;" February 8, Rev. Rockwell Harmon Potter of this city, topic, "Abraham Lincoln, Liberator and Leader;" February 15, Chancellor Wm. F. McDowell, of New York City, topic, "The Sower;" February 22, Dr. George W. Bicknell, of Cambridge, Mass., topic, "The Uplifted Cross;" March 1, Mrs. Mabel L. Conklin of Brooklyn, N. Y., topic, "The New Chivalry."

An interesting series of illustrated lectures have been arranged for and will be given on Saturday evenings during the next few weeks. The subjects and dates are as follows:—

Saturday, Jan. 17, "The Hawaiian Islands;" January 24, J. W. Gangloff of New York City, humorist and dialect story teller; February 7, "Northern Italy, Florence and Venice;" February 21, "Down in Dixie." The stereopticon views for three of these lectures have been received through the courtesy of the Board of Education. They are all first class in character, and admission to the lectures is free to the general public. They are given as a part of the educational work for the present season.

The Star entertainment course has three dates yet to be filled and will comprise three of the strongest attractions in the series, as follows:—Friday, January 23, The Wagner Harp Orchestra Company; Tuesday, Feb. 3, Marc, Prince of Magic; Wednesday, March 4, The Boston Ladies' Symphony Orchestra. These are held in Unity Hall and seats may be obtained at the Y. M. C. A. Building.

ADDITIONAL CHURCHES.

WETHERSFIELD AVE. CONGREGATIONAL.

The annual meeting of the church was held the first of this month. Most of the old officers were re-elected. The most important change was in the church treasurer, Mr. E. C. Barnes succeeding Rev. S. B. Forbes.

Miss Lilia M. Burt takes the place of Mrs. A. H. Maun as primary superintendent of the Sunday-school. Our school is in a prosperous condition, and keeps increasing in attendance. Diplomas were given for the past year for extra work and with marked success, and will be continued this year.

The classes are now going to try to raise $100 towards the church debt.

Our superintendent, Mr. E. C. Barnes, always thinking of something new, has just made a chart to show the comparison of attendance with last year.

The boys have been formed into a club called the Clover Leaf Messenger Corps.

The young ladies are now forming a club as the class they have belonged to has been broken up, and they have been appointed teachers.

ST. PAUL'S METHODIST.

The holiday season brought its usual share of good things to St. Paul's. There were special sermons by the pastor, unusually good music by the choir, a miscellaneous Christmas program by the Sunday-school and a Christmas tree. The choir gave the choral cantata, "The Hope of the World," also a portion of "The King of Kings."

A special installation service was held for the newly elected officers of the Epworth League, who assumed their duties at the beginning of the new year.

The Sunday-school takes on new life with the advent of new workers and some new methods.

The meetings of the Men's Assembly are proving both interesting and instructive.

On Sunday, January 18, a special collection amounting to $429 was taken for the purpose of meeting some extra expenses and providing for a deficit.

NEW BRITAIN AVE. MISSION.

Preachers who have been heard Sunday evenings are Rev. Mr. Hicks, Rev. Mr. Barker and Thomas F. Hill. E. L. Mertens, furnshed a violin solo and E. H. Northrup, a cornet solo.. Miss I. Mill, Mr. Linsey and Miss Tripp sang solos for us.

New Year's night was a gala night with us, when the annual Christmas entertainment was given. The audience room was filled to overflowing. The program arranged was most attractively carried out and thoroughly enjoyed. An orchestral accompaniment was an attractive part of the program. Santa Claus was present and distributed many presents which he had previously sent in. The next evening he again appeared before the primary department and made the litle ones happy.

The annual election of officers was held on Monday evening, January 19, when the following were chosen: Superintendent, Charles F. Agard; assistant superintendent, Mr. Burton; lady assistant, Miss Watrous; secretary, Edith Cushman; assistant secretary, Deborah Dedricksen; treasurer, Henry Gage; chairman of devotional committee, Richard Joslyn; assistant, Mrs. Porter; librarian, Richard Walkley; finance committee, Miss Alice Agard, Mrs. W. Webb, Miss Gertrude Rothchilde, Miss Marion Lawson; superintendent of home department, Mrs. W. Webb; chorister, Miss Alice Agard; superintendent of primary department, Miss Elia Myers; assistant, Miss Gertrude Rothchilde; correspondent, Mrs. C. J. Clare.

The mission wishes to thank all those who helped towards the Christmas entertainment.

WETHERSFIELD CONGREGATIONAL.

The Men's League met Monday evening, January 19, thirty being present. The subject "The Water Supply of Wethersfield" was discussed and Mr. McKenzie, a civil engineer of Southington, gave an address.

The annual meeting of the church was held January 2. During the past year the receipts were equal to the expenditures, the latter including a reduction of $700 in the church debt. Mr. S. F. Willard was re-elected treasurer: Robert W. Robbins, clerk; R. S. Griswold, member of standing committee and Henry Buck, deacon. After the business meeting a bountiful supper was served in the chapel, addresses were made and the hymn, "Blest be the tie that binds," was sung in conclusion.

Our pastor kept open house New Year's day and many called to extend the season's greetings to him and his family.

Our Sunday-school showed some increase in membership over last year and we stand at the head of the Union as to average contributions per member.

SUFFIELD STREET BAPTIST.

The Christmas exercises were held on the evening of December 30, and were full of interest and good cheer. The program consisted of musical numbers, and a cleverly planned scene from Santa Claus' domain. The gifts from the Sunday-school and the bags of candy and oranges were a delight to the boys and girls, and there were a goodly number present.

During New Year's week a large party of the young people enjoyed a sleigh ride to Windsor and back.

The members of the choir had a quilting bee at Miss Marsh's on New Year's day. The young ladies quilted and the young men came to tea.

The attendance of the school has been somewhat small of late, owing to the illness which is so prevalent.

One of our dear mothers has been called to her everlasting home during January, Mrs. Frederick Root. She leaves a husband and six small children. A great deal of sympathy is felt for those in such sorrow.

The president of the C. E. Society is hard at work trying to get the members to do all within their power.

WINDSOR CONGREGATIONAL.

The Methodists and our people held union meetings during the week of prayer.

The meeting Wednesday evening was addressed by Mrs. Calhoun, who was for thirty-five years a missionary of the American Board, in Syria, and lived eight years with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ransom of the Zulu mission, Natal, Africa. She gave a very interesting account of mission work among the Zulus. Although seventy-eight years of age, she intends to go back to Africa in April.

The subjects of the Endeavor Society's meetings for two or three months will be the parables of Christ.

The subjects of our pastor's Sunday evening addresses for several weeks will be "Some lessons for to day from the book of Proverbs."

The Christian Endeavor Society have chosen the following officers for the present six months: President, Linus Snow; vice-president, Alfred Taylor; recording secretary, Miss May Barber; corresponding secretary, Miss Clara Bedortha; treasurer, Charles Taylor.

The annual church meeting was held on the evening of January 14. Reports of the different departments of church work were given and the following officers were chosen: clerk, Rev. William Carey; treasurer, deacon S. H. Barber; prudential committee, the pastor, deacons, F. N. Taylor, John B. Wilbur and Prof. C. S. Beardslee.

FIRST BAPTIST.

Monday, January 19, our senior deacon. Hon. James L. Howard, observed his eight-fifth birthday. Friends in the church sent him eighty-five beautiful roses.

The H. I. E. Circle of King's Daughters held a "Food Sale" in the church parlors, Thursday, January 22, with pleasing success.

The annual meeting of the Woman's Home Mission Society was held Friday, January 9, at which officers were elected for the coming year.

The Helpers' Mission Band not long since sent two barrels, one full of shoes of all sizes, the other of men's and boys' clothing, to the Mather School at Beaufort, S. C. The Band is to give an entertainment called "An Old Curiosity Shop," the last of this month in the church parlors.

The annual meeting of our Sunday-school was well attended, Mr. C. P.

Gladding being re-elected as superintendent.

The Young Men's League will give a supper and entertainment for the men of the church early in March.

Roll Call evening comes on Thursday evening, January 29. At this meeting definite plans for special meetings to be held in February will probably be announced.

Rev. W. M. Upcraft spoke in our church Tuesday evening, January 20, on his life in western China. The Rev. C. W. Briggs, of the Philippines, also told a thrilling story of our new possessions.

WETHERSFIELD BAPTIST.

The attendance at our church has been good considering the stormy Sundays and bad roads. Our Sunday school Christmas exercises on Dec. 31 were made very pleasant for the children. A supper was given them and to each one a present.

Mr. J. Kemmerer, solo singer, has kindly come and sung in the church services, also Miss Brainard from Hartford, with Miss Kemmerer at the organ, thus encouraging the pastor.

FIRST METHODIST.

The annual meeting of the Sunday-school was held Monday evening, January 5. The officers and teachers sat down to a tea at 6 o'clock, and the business meeting followed. Officers elected for the year are as follows: Superintendent, W. H. Newell; assistant superintendent, J. H. Coe; lady superintendent, Mrs. S. H. North; secretary, A. M. Waldron; assistant secretary, Dwight North; treasurer, C. H. Parker; librarians, R. P. Martin, W. H. Wilde.

January 28, the League intends to serve an oyster supper from 6 to 8 o'clock.

The Rock Band Concert Company will give a concert February 18, in the church.

ASYLUM AVE. BAPTIST.

Seven members of the Sunday-school received two dollars and a half gold pieces as a reward for perfect attendance, the reward being offered at the beginning of the year, by some friend of the school, who kept back his or her name. The young people's meeting on January 18, was visited by Dr. Munger, the president of Hartford Union, who gave them a very earnest, helpful talk. The meeting was the most interesting one held for some time. The subject of changing the organization from a Christian Endeavor Society, was discussed in the business meeting which followed. The opinions expressed were mostly in favor of continuing as an Endeavor society.

Miss Barrows, one of our young people, speaks at Parkville on Mission Sunday evening, January 25.

MEMORIAL BAPTIST.

Christmas was celebrated by the older portion of the Sunday-school with a cantata, in which Santa Claus and his wife were the principal characters. A party was given for the Primary and Cradle Roll Departments, with a Christmas tree and gifts for all the little folks.

On December 21, our pastor was in Providence. The pulpit was supplied by Mr. Robert Fulton of the Seminary. In the evening he gave an interesting account of a trip to the Holy Land.

A watch-night service was held on New Year's Eve. Rev. Mr. Divine was with us. His talk on "Personal Work" was very helpful.

The Week of Prayer was observed by special meetings.

The Sunday-school has just entered upon the study of the life of Christ in the Blakeslee System of graded lessons.

On Wednesday, January 21, a supper will be given by the men of the church.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

The Christmas service of the Sunday-school was held Sunday, Dec. 28, at 4 o'clock. Carols were sung and an address made by the rector. There was a large attendance of scholars.

Monday evening, Dec.29, the Christmas Festival, with supper and tree, was held at the Memorial House. The children enjoyed an excellent supper and then marched upstairs, where the tree was erected. Carols were sung and the children entertained, after which gifts were distributed. The tree was illuminated with electric lights.

Bishop Moreland of Sacramento, Cal., preached a very interesting sermon on Sunday morning, Jan. 11. He has a large field to cover and described the grandeur and beauty of the country where he labors. He spoke of the need of men and means to carry on the church's work there; to establish chapels, hospitals, etc. He spoke of the life of the mining camps, made up of very hard work, with little time for education.

The Men's League held its January meeting Thursday, Jan. 15, at the Memorial House. Rev. Dr. E. P. Parker gave an interesting adddress on "Einsiedeln, its Monastery and Shrine."

Dr. Parker told of his travels in Switzerland and his sojourn in Einsiedeln. He spoke of the great pilgrimages to the church and shrine from all parts of Europe and some from this country. Mrs. Paul Everett sang two songs in a charming manner. The Daughters of the King served a repast after the address.

Bishop Brewster has signified his intention of visiting this church the third Sunday in Lent to confer the rite of confirmation. A class will soon form for instruction at the rector's study.

On Thursday, Feb. 19, there will be a concert given by the Trinity Glee and Mandolin Clubs at the Memorial Hall, under the auspices of the Men's League

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER.

Appropriate services were held in the church on Christmas and New Year's Sundays and they were well attended.

The annual Christmas party for the Sunday-school was held December 30.

The primary classes were entertained in the afternoon with a tree and games, and the older classes assembled in the evening and enjoyed a sleight-of-hand performance by Mr. Alexander, after which cream and cake were served.

All the classes were well represented.

Sunday evening, January 11, Rev. Mr. Atwood, General Supt. of the Universalist Church, addressed the men of the parish on the general work of the men in the church. The bad weather interfered greatly with the attendance, but about fifty weathered the storm and were well repaid for coming out.

The regular monthly vesper service was held Sunday evening, January 18. The cantata "Penitence, Pardon and Peace," was rendered excellently by the choir, which was enlarged for the occasion. The attendance at these services is very gratifying.

Next Sunday, January 25, will be observed as Young People's Day in the church and Young People's Guild. Dr. Adams will preach on the topic of young people and Miss Hall, the state visitor of the Y. P. C. U., will address the Guild in the evening.

"Ye Golden Grill," the new restaurant conducted by the Co-operative Catering Co., at 33-41 Asylum street, bids fair to prove one of Hartford's most popular eating places. It is centrally located, finely equipped, well managed and serves its food properly cooked and with reasonable dispatch.

Messrs. E. Shelton & Co., in the Courant Building, are offering this month some excellent farm properties in this vicinity. Anything in this line, listed by Messrs. Shelton, is sure to be well worth investigating.

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THE OPEN HEARTH.

The glad Christmas season has passed, but its remembrance will be long cherished by those who had the good fortune to participate in the festivities at the Open Hearth, or to be the recipients of the generous bounty of kind friends, so gladly distributed by Superintendent Miller. The spacious rooms, so different from our former quarters were filled with a glad and joyous throng during the afternoon and early evening and the "Merry Christmas" wishes were full of meaning to all. The meeting which followed in the evening was also a joyous one and the address of Superintendent Miller was listened to with rapt attention, as he portrayed the blessings which came to all from Him who was born in a stable, that He might bring to us the Christmas joys. The Children's festival took place on New Year's evening and the meeting room was filled by the children and parents. The gifts of books and toys, warm mittens or gloves, gave full satisfaction to all and those present departed feeling that the Open Hearth deserved a warm place in their hearts.

The Girls' Club now in successful operation, is daily increasing in numbers and usefulness and every evening the room is well filled by numbers of girls who compose the Mission Band. Games are provided and a piano for those who wish to learn to play, or for those who, having learned, can accompany the others in singing. All have a happy time and feel perfectly free to drop in for such time of an evening as they can spare from home duties and come and go as they please. An experienced matron, Mrs. Flynte, is present each evening and this feature of the work of the Open Hearth is fully appreciated.

The winter season brings as usual a large number of wanderers to the Open Hearth and our wood yard furnishes employment for a large number, who otherwise would be homeless or a charge on our citizens. All appreciate the blessings of the Open Hearth and from far and near come appreciative words and loving, grateful, remembrances from those who have felt the good effects of a temporary residence here.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

The church was well filled at the Christmas Tree entertainment, although it was a very stormy night.

Our Parish House has a fire on the hearth every day, except Monday and Friday.

The Men's Club now numbers 27 members.

The Ladies' Missionary Society have put electric lights in the Parish House and are preparing to paint the interior walls.

The Girls' Friendly Society had a bright service on January 13.

The past year has been one of great prosperity in our favored land. The greatest cloud that has darkened our sky has been the prolonged strike in the anthracite coal regions, and its resultant misfortunes.

The Church of Christ has shared in the general prosperity of the nation. Multitudes have been added to its membership, and there has been a growth in grace—at least in the grace of giving as evidenced by the increased contributions for missionary, benevolent and educational purposes.

Hartford Christian Endeavor Union

HARTFORD UNION NOTES.

The Directors of the Union met Tuesday, January 20, in the Y. M. C. A. building, to plan for the January meeting of the Union.

The financial circular has just been issued by our financial committee and we look for a ready response to its call.

Mr. James R. Tucker, our missionary superintendent, will be pleased to assist any societies along the line of missionary work.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

Dear Endeavorers:

The rally cry for a forward movement of our organization has gone all over our land. We are asked as a Union to increase the number of societies ten per cent. As societies we are invited to join with others in a canvass of our Sunday-school and congregation for new members and that we increase our membership at least ten per cent. before next July.

Will you join in this grand endeavor?

We cannot do this work in our own strength but Christ is with us and ready to aid our efforts. Let us work with our Master in bringing to Him those who are with us, but not of us.

In seeking new members we need to be careful that before they take the pledge they understand it and the constitution of our society, for if we are not cautious we will get members in name only, who will not help, but will continually need help because they did not start in the right way.

We should have in our Union four times as many Junior societies as we have. If your church is without a Junior society, why don't you organize one? I know of one society which is going to. The best workers advise a Junior Committee. Surely you can have that, if you cannot find the right person for a superintendent. Do not put this off, but act at once.

The success or failure of all this advance work depends upon us as individuals. Are we willing to work and to give up? For example, when it is a question of going to the church prayer-meeting, or a play, party, or doing anything for pleasure, we should be happy in going to the prayer-meeting. We must be ready to give up because we love souls and desire to win them for the Master.

Is your society to observe "Decision Day?" If not, why not?

Here are two questions taken from the "Endeavorer's Daily Companion:" "Is my life God's, or the world's?" "Is there any part of my life into which Christ may not enter?" Dear friends, let us each one ask himself these questions and if we cannot answer them in the right way, let us with Christ's help place ourselves where we belong and then He can use us.

Yours truly in C. E.,
EDWIN H. MUNGER,
President.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS.

(From the Presbyterian C. E. Manual.)

Sun., Jan. 18. Topic—Endeavorers in Training for Church Work. Acts 2:17, 18; Prov. 2: 1-8; Mark 1: 16-20.

The youngest Christian has a part in church work, and the church loses by missing his part. The church needs young people as well as mature ones. Experience and wisdom must be honored, but there are many places that youth can fill; and the young Christians of to-day will be the honored leaders of to-morrow. The youngest child should be at home in God's house; and every year should deepen a loyal love for the church.

The young church member is serving his apprenticeship. Apprentices sometimes have tiresome tasks, and hours of drudgery must be met and endured. But to be a trained Christian is worth while. The untrained Christian is always making trouble. One of the missions of the Endeavor society of any church should be to provide that church with a future body of skilled workers.

POINTS FOR STUDY.

How was Samuel trained for his life-work?

What does Paul say about Timothy's training in the Scriptures?

What did Josiah do for God's house in early youth?

Sun., Jan. 25. Topic—An Evening with Chinese Missions. Acts 17: 24-31.

It does not need great knowledge of history to see that the Chinese Empire has reached a great crisis. Its people are a great and an enduring race. They have always considered their land superior to any other in the world. Now they have learned that

they cannot stand against Western nations.

The Chinese love education. They revere the aged, and obey their parents. They are the most industrious and patient people on earth. They need the gospel more just now, and are more ready to receive it, than any nation to which the gospel has ever come. Such an opportunity has never come to missions before, and may never come again.

Pride has been the bane of the Chinese. They would not learn from the West, would not even listen. Now pride has been humbled. The barrier is down. The way is open for the feet of those who bring the glad tidings.

POINTS TO STUDY.

What missions has our denomination in China?

What martyrs have we given to China?

What medical and hospital work are we supporting in China?

How many communicants has our denomination in China?

Sun., Feb. 1. Topic—Decide To-day. Heb. 3: 7-13. (Christian Endeavor Day.)

The habit of prompt decision greatly simplifies life. It does not mean jumping to conclusions upon impulse. It means settling questions as they arise, and not dallying until one's opportunities have gone by. Decision is a quality of great minds; shilly-shallying is a defect of small ones.

Indecision wastes time and energy. When we have decided just what we mean to be, we can devote all our life to the one thing. A firm decision is a long step toward success.

The most important decision in life is the decision to be a Christian. This underlies all other life-decisions. While it is delayed, life cannot be solidly built. Until this vital question is decided, of what use is it to decide anything else?

The longer we defer a decision, the less able we are to make it firmly. We lose the power of determination by refusing to determine. What a pitiable figure is the man who cannot make up his mind, but delays and trifles!

POINTS FOR STUDY.

How did Felix lose his opportunity of salvation?

How did Matthew receive the call of Christ?

What choice did Joshua set before the people?

Sun., Feb. 8. Topic—Bible Lessons from Men that Failed. Gen. 4: 8-12; Judges 16:20, 21; I Sam. 3: 11-14; 15: 26-29.

No man who has made God his first thought in life has ever failed. Such a man cannot fail. He is in line with almighty power and eternal purpose, and God's strength is his. "One, on God's side, is a majority," as Wendell Phillips so nobly said.

It is the man who puts self before God who fails. The first murderer was driven by envy to his awful deed. The sons of Eli brought their selfish sins into God's very house, and defiled it. Samson forgot his dedication to God, and followed self-indulgence to shame and ruin. Saul sought popularity and disobeyed God to gain it. None of these men would or could have failed if they had remembered God and forgotten themselves.

"No man can be happy," said Charles Kingsley, "until his first object is outside of himself." No man can be truly successful except on the same conditions. Selfish success is real failure.

POINTS FOR STUDY.

What defeat came from Achan's sin?

Why did Absalom fail?

What sin began the downfall of Judas?

How did Daniel win success?

According to the report of Rev. Frederick Blecher, secretary of the German National Christian Endeavor Union, about fifty societies have been added in Germany during the past year, making a total of 221 societies.

The quarterly report of the Church Building Society of the Congregational Church, gives a list of twenty-two churches that have been built or aided in building by Christian Endeavor societies. The Missionary League of the Reformed Church reports twenty-one Christian Endeavor churches which have been built or aided in some way.

The city of Belfast, Ireland, now has more Endeavor societies in proportion to its population than London, which has the largest Christian Endeavor union in the world.

Dr. Clark has announced as a forward movement for Christian Endeavor in all the world an effort to increase the number of societies and members one-tenth. An executive committee has been appointed in each state, province, and county to push this movement, and a number of beautiful banners will be procured from China, Japan, and other foreign lands to be given as prizes to the unions that accomplish this object within the year.

The splendid record of the Congregational Chinese Endeavorers of San Francisco, of whom Rev. Jee Gam is pastor, has been continued this year, and they have given $1,516.08 for foreign missions, with but forty active members at present.

Splendid work is being done in Elizabeth, N. J., in behalf of the Italians. Endeavorers have secured the services of a consecrated Italian clergyman, and they are strongly supplementing his labors. Hymn-books have been purchased and a Christmas entertainment was given. In a union meeting the Italians and Americans sang together, each in their own tongue, but with a spirit of unity and enthusiasm.

Two hundred and forty-five dollars have been given by the Redlands, Cal., Baptist Endeavorers for the support of Wong Ming, a Chinaman converted in their own mission, who has gone back to China to preach to his own people, and to support their Chinese Mission School. Fifteen or twenty of the Endeavorers go every week to teach in the school.

TO TALKERS.

Be more intent on what you say than how you say it.

No matter how much or how little you read, think on the subject.

It will richly repay you to write out your thoughts before going to the meeting, as if you were speaking.

Do not expect to take part to the encouragement of others, and to your own profit, without arduous preparation. "No pains, no gains."

The tour of the leading cities of the United States recently made by a quartette of the officers of the United Society of Christian Endeavor, headed by Dr. Clark, has been a most gratifying and successful one. In all of the cities, beginning with Brooklyn and ending at Buffalo, including two or three in Canada, the audiences have been exceptionally large and enthusiastic, and some five or six thousand dollars have been pledged for the world-wide work of Christian Endeavor. In most of the cities the meetings were pronounced the finest ever held.

A new thing in entertainments was that "automobile trip around the world" recently devised and carried out by a society connected with a Connecticut church. Five automobiles were kept busy from four o'clock in the afternoon until 10 o'clock, making the rounds from the central station, which was the church itself. Paris was the first place to be visited, and then came Berlin, Tokyo and London. Each city was represented by a member's house which had been arranged to feature and suggest, so far as might be, the capital for which it was named. More than five hundred persons made the trip and returned to eat supper in the church vestry. The thoughtful reader will note that an entertainment on these general lines could be given without the aid of automobiles, that souvenirs "and such" might be sold at each place visited, and that the possibilities of the scheme for amusement and money-making are prodigious.—Youth's Companion.

ADDITIONAL CHURCHES.

GLENWOOD CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

Wednesday evening, December 1, there was a sale of fancy and useful articles and home-made confectionery, in the church parlors, and supper was served upstairs. Several recitations were given by Mrs. Joseph Gowen in excellent style, and contributed much to the evening's enjoyment. About $40 were received.

Christmas Eve was an occasion of much interest to the church and notably the juvenile portion of the congregation, who derived both pleasure and profit from a bountiful Christmas tree.

On Christmas Day the young people had an opportunity to give as well as to receive, and they responded valiantly, their gifts furnishing four Christmas dinners for poor families.

Wednesday evening, December 31, was the annual roll call and church meeting. Reports were read, bearing witness to the flourishing condition of the church in all lines of work. Mr. J. B. Sexton gave a very clear, intelligent statement of the sale of the parsonage. The church now stands clear of all mortgage and is on a good financial basis. After the church meeting came the roll call. The attendance was large and the response was general and hearty. Most of those obliged to be absent sent responses which were read when their names were called. This interesting meeting was continued till 10 o'clock, when all joined hands and repeated the 23d Psalm and in closing sang, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

On New Year's Day the Junior Endeavors met at Mr. Mac Geehon's, printed the pledge cards and played games.

Sunday, January 4, the Lord's Supper was celebrated and four members were received into the church—two by letter, and two on confession of faith.

During the Week of Prayer, meetings were held every evening, except Saturday, January 10. The attendance has been steadily increasing, and so much interest has been manifested that it was deemed advisable to continue the meetings for another week.

PARK CONGREGATIONAL.

In December, the C. E. Society gave a very enjoyable Hunting Party. Those present took a trip to the Catskills and hunted for a deer and a bear, after having discussed a series of questions with different people in the train. The men fished for their ladies, who provided the lunches. Miss Pausch recited most entertainingly and a game of hunting animals was played by guessing what animal a certain number of letters disarranged spelt.

On December 29, the Christmas entertainment of the Sunday-school took place. There was a delightful operetta with Santa Claus, the fairies and good children from all countries. A lovely Christmas tree was a delight for the little ones and Santa Claus distributed gifts very generously. Everyone present brought something to give away outside of the Sunday-school. The Christmas decorations were exceedingly fine; sent by the ladies in a Southern church, which is raising money for a new edifice. We were very glad to send them ten dollars for that purpose. Ice cream and cake were served and each child had a box of candy, in the shape of a church, with Santa Claus going down the chimney.

January 4, Rev. Mr. Hicks, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Murray and Mrs. Clara Couch united with our church.

Dr. Simpson, Dr. Norton and Prof. Paton, have addressed the Park Church Club, at 12 o'clock, on Sundays.

The Missionary Study Class, under Prof. Livingston, will study Japan this winter.

The Ladies Missionary Society and the Mission Circle will combine their efforts to prepare for a sale, to be held in the spring, for the benefit of the church.

The attendance at Sunday-school is steadily increasing. Dr. Thayer, the librarian at the Seminary, has a class of young people.

TEMPERANCE NOTES.

A poor woman stood near the magistrate who was hearing the case. "Drunk; third arrest," against her husband. It was quickly decided, but somehow the pathetic face of the woman touched the judge, and he said to her, "I am sorry, but I must lock up your husband." She did not seem one who would be a deep thinker, but was there not deep wisdom in her sad and quick reply, "Your honor, wouldn't it be better for me and the children if you locked up the saloon and let my husband go to work?"—Word and Work.

Some of us remember that when President Hayes prohibited the selling of spirituous liquors to soldiers, a cry of impracticability went up from the army and the liquor traffic; and that when President Harrison abolished Sunday morning inspections and Sunday evening dress parades, it was ridiculed as "Sunday-school management." But it would be difficult now to find an advocate of the old regime anywhere. So it will be with the abolishment of the canteen. The anti-canteen law is in the line of progress and civilization, and in a few years' time people will wonder how anybody ever could have advocated the army saloon.—Union Signal.

It is contended that eight tenths of the drunkards of to-day began to drink when they were young; indeed, it is said that if a man reaches the age of twenty-five without an appetite for drink, the chances are greatly in his favor of remaining a sober man to the end. For this reason temperance work for and among the young people is heartily recommended.—Temperance Cause.

Mohammed interdicted the drinking of ardent spirits by his followers. Shall it be the reproach of the church of Christ that Mohammedanism is in this respect superior to Christianity?

Bishop John L. Spalding of Peoria, Ill., the city noted for its monster distilleries, in addressing the workingmen of Galesburg boldly and truthfully declared: "The foe of labor is not capital, but ignorance and vice. In the whole English-speaking world, at least, its worst enemy is drink. More than a combination of all employers, the saloon has power to impoverish and degrade workingmen."

MISSIONARY NOTES.

The most degraded of heathen nations may be brought to listen, and learn to believe. We have thus the comforting assurance that no race is so spiritually dead that by the good news it cannot rise to newness of life, no tongue so barbarian that it will not admit of a translation of the Bible, no heathen soul so sunk that he cannot become a new creature in Christ Jesus.—Christlieb.

God's blessing of world-wide redemption waits on an awakened and zealous church. When the rank and file of believers live for him only, then we shall see the heavens opened, and blessings poured out.

No statistics can give a fair view of all that they have done (the missionaries.) The moral tone of their preaching is recognized by hundreds who do not follow them as converts. The lessons which they inculcate have given to the people new ideas, not only on purely religious questions, but on the nature of evil, the obligations of law, and the motives by which human conduct should be regulated. Insensibly, a higher standard of moral conduct is becoming familiar to the people.—India Government Blue Book.

Cecil Rhodes, the British "empire-builder," once said: "It's of no use to have great ideas, if you have not the money to carry them out." Quite true, if rightly understood. For lack of necessary supplies, many a noble and urgent missionary enterprise is, temporarily at least, arrested. On the other hand, great ideas have a way of financing themselves. They attract the enterprise and the heroism which attract support. William Carey, the father of modern missions, started on the smallest capital. A great idea like this, if sustained by great patience, needs only so much material support at the outset as the woodsman needs to stand on, when he begins to swing the axe before which the forest is destined to come down.—Home Missionary.

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I say work kin go to pot.
Autumn days, so calm an' hazy,
Sorter makes me kinder lazy.
That's the way the seasons run.
Seems I can't git nothin' done.
—Sam S. Stinson, in Lippincott's Magazine.

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Old Diogenes came up the street rubbing his hands and shaking his head.

"Helo, Di!" we called out, "how do you find Chicago?"

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"My dear," said the meek Mr. Newliwed, "I don't like to complain, but this omelet you made—" "What's the matter with it?" she inquired. "Weller-it's rather hard to cut it, and—" "Gracious! I was afraid that man would send me tough eggs. I'll stop dealing with him."

An unsophisticated young minister in rural Pennsylvania, recently ordained, not long ago wrote to a theological professor in Philadelphia as follows: "I am a poor speaker, and find it hard to utter my thoughts clearly and forcibly. I have decided therefore to take a course of instruction in speaking, and, learning from the papers that there are a great many speak easies in your city, I would be obliged if you would recommend me to one." The professor broke the news to him as euphemistically as possible that a speak easy is merely an unlicensed drinking place.

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Few people know that an entire pavilion of the Library of Congress in Washington is devoted to books printed specially for the blind and that daily it is open to their use; and moreover that many special lectures and readings by famous authors are given there for the blind. This interesting "government philanthropy" is described in the January Scribner's.

All church people will be interested in the series of articles in the Woman's Home Companion which deals with "The Great Movements Which are Making the World Better." The first article in this series, dealing with "The Great Work of the Presbyterian Church of America," appears in the January number.

The Century for January contains work of unusual general interest. "The Pawnshops of Paris," "The President and the Trusts" and "The Poe-Chivers Papers" are the best of the serious contributions. The fiction is good and worthy of more detailed note than can be here given it.

Little Boom, No. 1. By Mrs. Frank Lee. 255 pages, 12 mo. Boston: The Pilgrim Press.

The story of a waif who, in gratitude for kindness, perseveres in an affection for his benefactors, in preference to the accepting of proffered advantages which will necessitate his deserting them.

The development of a boy's character, the morals brought out without apparent effort, make up a charming little story for either young boys or girls.

Polly State: One of the Thirteen. By Frances J. Delano. 247 pages, 12 mo. Boston: The Pilgrim Press.

Polly State is a girl's name, the heroine of a pretty story for young girls. At a big family dinner each member of the company took the name of a state,—hence the title. The story has no very startling incidents but reads well.

Forest Trees and Forest Scenery. By G. Frederick Schwartz. 183 pages, 12 mo. New York: The Grafton Press. Price $1.00.

Forestry, in the last few years, would almost seem to have become a popular avocation, so numerous are the books on it, so wide the interest.

Numerous practical hints and advice as to the advantageous placing of trees and shrubbery, make this book of real value as well as of usual interest.

Character of the White Pine.

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Its makeups is a credit to its publishers, containing, as it does, numerous excellent illustrations with large clear type and fine paper. One of the illustrations we take pleasure in reproducing on this page, by permission of the publishers.

Naval Heroes of Holland. By Rev. J. A. Mets. 248 pages, 12 mo. New York: The Abbey Press. Price $1.25.

The marvelous sea power once attained by the doughty Dutch Republic makes fascinating, indeed, the personalities of the dauntless captains who carried her flag on every sea. Heroic men of daring deeds they were and the author has studied into their careers with a real and spontaneous enthusiasm.

At this time, when the world is not done expressing its admiration of Dutch courage and heroism, this very well written book should be successful indeed.

The Papal Monarchy. By William Barry, D. D. 435 pages, 12 mo. New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons. Price $1.50.

The wonderful, and in some senses, romantic story of the origin and growth of what is called the Holy Roman Empire. As a work of study and compilation, the result justifies the publishers in their selection of Dr. Barry for the task. Save for a partial bias, explained naturally, the work has been done remarkably well and may be classed among the standard works in its field.

A Son of Destiny. By Mary C. Francis. 459 pages, 12 mo. New York: The Federal Book Company. Price $1.50.

This is a historical novel, primarily intended to portray the character and career of Andrew Jackson, sticking close to history, but without being

hampered, thereby, where a touch of romance would accentuate a point, or make a scene more vivid.

Jackson was an ideal man for a hero of romance; bluff, soldierly, and yet conscientious. This story is full of excitement and vigor, just a little verbose, but none the less holding the absorbed attention and interest. Other contemporary historical characters are well introduced and portrayed.

The Conversion of Children. By Rev. E. Payson Hammond. 174 pages, 12 mo. New York: F. H. Revell Co. Price 25 cents. Early Conversion. By Rev. E. Payson Hammond. 232 pages, 12 mo. New York: J. S. Ogilvie Pub. Co. Price 25 cents.

These are two related volumes on a subject widely discussed and covering points which have never been fully decided to everyone's satisfaction. The author's experience qualifies him to speak, however, and his opinions should have weight. The anecdotes and examples he gives prove his arguments' force.

Donna Diana. By Richard Bagot. 402 pages, 12 mo. New York: Longmans, Green & Co. Price $1.50.

The trilogy of novels picturing Rome and the Church organization is completed by this novel. The particular trend of this work is an argument for the doctrine of free agency. It is more notably, however, an attack, and one scathing and vigorous, upon the Roman church. It cannot but hurt and arouse antagonism, whether true to facts, or not.

The work is a brilliant one and crowns a remarkable trilogy, but it, like its predecessors, makes one wonder how the author can call himself a consistent Romanist.

The Sinless Christ. By George Tybont Purves, D. D. 186 pages. 12 mo. For Whom Christ Died. By Wm. R. Richards, D. D. 157 pages. 12 mo. Philadelphia: Presbyterian Board of Publication and Sabbath School Work. Price each, 75 cents.

These are the first two volumes in a series of sermons by well known preachers of the Presbyterian faith. At least in the present volumes it appears that exposition of creed is subordinated by an effort to convey the greater fundamental truths of Christianity.

Eugene Field's Favorite Poems. Compiled by Ralph A. Lyon. 34 pages, 16 mo. Evanston, Ill: Wm. S. Lord. Price 50 cents.

In Field's "Auto-Analysis," he declares, "My favorite poems are, Korner's 'Battle Prayer,' Wordsworth's 'We Are Seven,' Newman's 'Lead, Kindly Light,' Luther's Hymn, Schiller's 'The Diver,' Horace's 'Fons Bandusiae' and Burn's 'Cotter's Saturday Night.'" In this dainty book these poems are brought together.

Whimlets. By S. Scott Stinson. 109 pages, 12 mo. Philadelphia: Henry T. Coates & Co. Price 80 cents.

"Crankisms," of which a notice was given in these columns some time since, was a collection of notably vivacious and clever epigrams, illustrated with inimitable sketches by Clare Victor Dwiggins. This is a volume of "iridescent globules" of four-line verse, witty, dainty, pungent and vivid,— every one worthy of quotation. This little booklet is also adorned by the Dwiggins sketches, and they are truly remarkable.

Opportunities in the Path of the Great Physician. By Valeria Fullerton Penrose. 277 pages, 12 mo. Philadelphia: The Westminster Press. Price $1.00.

Details are here given, from a missionary view-point, of the various countries where effort is especially called for. Statistics and illustrations serve to emphasize the author's explanation of why these countries especially need the gospel. The book is interesting apart from its practical import.

During the present era of national prosperity, which the churches are sharing to a considerable extent, it should be of special interest to know what new opportunities offer in missionary effort.

We publish on this page, by courtesy of the publishers, an interesting illustration from this book.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE WONDER-WORKING VIRGIN OF ANDACOLLO, CHILE.
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The Westminster Press, Philadelphia, Publishers.

Folly in the Forest. By Carolyn Wells. 282 pages, 12 mo. Philadelphia: Henry Altemus Company. Price $1.00.

"Folly" is a little girl whose name became known to young readers when the author told of the adventures of "Folly in Fairyland." The little heroine afterward went into the Forest of the Past and it is here that she met the famous animals of mythology, history and literature, as described in this new story.

Her experiences were numerous and full of interest, and the recital will give much pleasure to every child who hears it, or reads it.

The Romance of an Old Fool. By Roswell Field. 144 pages, 12 mo. Evanston, Ill.: Wm. S. Lord. Price $1.25.

A quaintly admirable old fool who stumbles along in philosophic blindness, vaguely confident that he is seeing everything quite clearly. He is a "character," a real character, and one to love and to laugh at. If ever a modern writer has juggled words into prose poetry, it is this younger brother of Eugene Field, who has made this charming story and a little classic at the same writing.

Under the Pine Tree Flag. By Willis Boyd Allen. 274 pages, 12 mo. Boston: The Pilgrim Press.

The siege of Boston and the New Jersey Campaign of 1776 furnish the scenes for this story for boys. Will Frobisher and Oliver Sayward, the young heroes, have numerous thrilling adventures in both branches of the service, the author using the opportunity to impart much information regarding our infant navy.

Tangled in Stars. By Ethelwyn Wetherald. 59 pages, 16 mo. Boston: Richard G. Badger. Price $1.00.

The author's home is on a fruit farm in Fenwick, Ontario. So it is natural, perhaps, that Nature should be her favorite subject. Her verse is delicate and refined and true poetic feeling is evidenced, notably in some of her less pretentious subjects. Her volume contains not many verses, but all are worth while.

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A total returned to policy-holders or their beneficiaries, being 98.86 per cent. of the entire premiums received		$214,279,820.43
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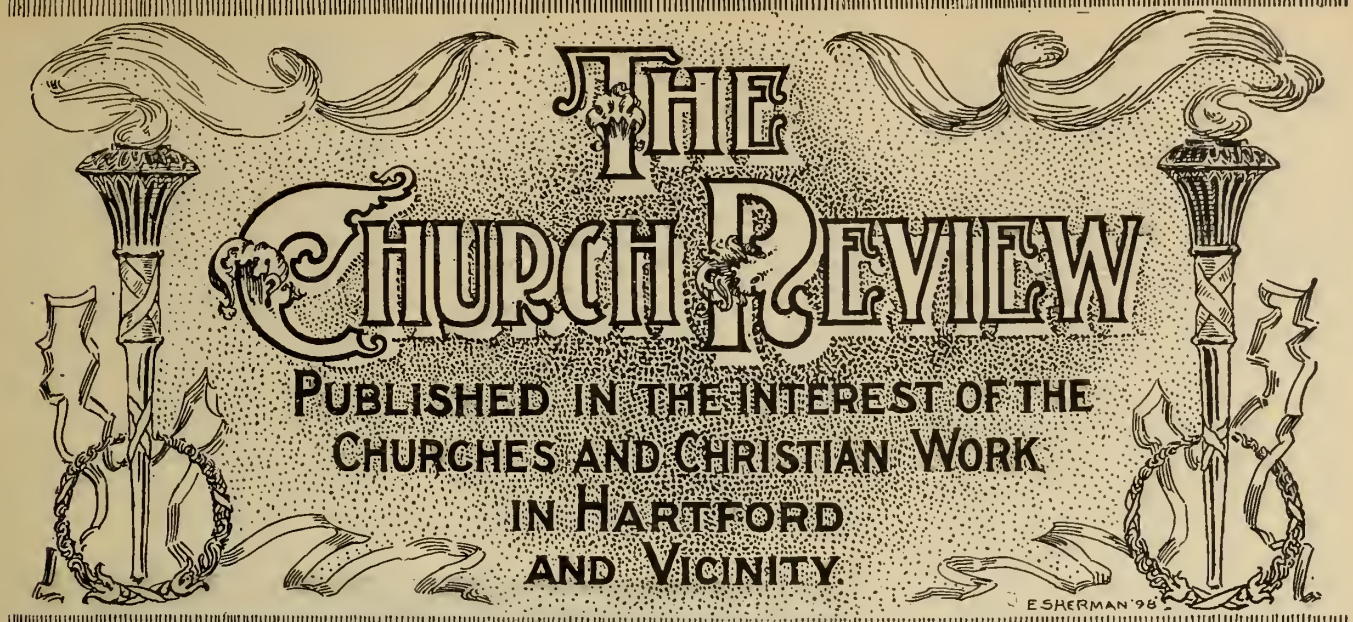

THE CRY OF THE AGE.

BY HAMLIN GARLAND

What shall I do to be just?
  What shall I do for the gain
Of the world — for its sadness
Teach me, O Seers that I trust!
  Chart me the difficult main
Leading out of my sorrow and madness;
  Preach me the purging of pain.

Shall I wrench from my finger the ring
  To cast to the tramp at my door?
Shall I tear off each luminous thing
  To drop in the palm of the poor?
What shall I do to be just?
  Teach me, O Ye in the light,
Whom the poor and the rich alike trust:
  My heart is aflame to be right.

—*From the Outlook.*

MODERN PROPHETS AND THEIR MESSAGE.

By Rev. Raymond Mapleson.

(Continued from January Number.)

The Modern Prophet seeks to apply the remedy by an evangelization of the churches—not the masses—but churches. It is a conspicuous fact that one marked feature of modern evangelism is its specific address to the churches. The great evangelistic movements at Boston and New York, during recent years, led by Mr. Moody and his successors, have had avowedly for their object the awakening of the churches. Their method of doing this has in some cases provoked the severest criticism. We do not now touch upon that. We simply call attention to the fact that the modern prophet, by convention and pulpit address, by printed book and press, aims to reach the churches. His rallying cry is—"rouse the churches and they will soon reach the masses — reach the church member and you will soon reach the worldling."

Granting that the above picture of modern church life is to any extent true, then the wisdom of this policy commends itself to every earnest preacher of the gospel. If the church has to any extent departed from the purity, the simplicity, and the spiritual power of the early church, then let us welcome any means, any messenger, by which the churches can be won back to apostolic life and power. Gladly will we hail any prophet who will make the churches see that the blessings of Pentecost are as available and universal today, as when the limpid stream of truth first poured forth from fire-touched lips and spirit filled hearts.

The questions arise right here — "is there anything new in this message?" "does the message of the modern prophet harmonize with Bible precedent and Bible doctrine?" One of the most valuable features of this movement is its constant appeal to the scriptures as final and authoritative in all matters of life and doctrine. And this accounts largely for its tendency to break with ecclesiasticism, and to stand simply for apostolic doctrine and life.

Without attempting anything like a full statement, or analysis of the Keswick theological position, let us note a few of its most prominent features. One thing is very clear, Keswick teachers repudiate perfectionism. We do not, says Mr. Meyer, teach the eradication of sin, but its subjection. "Sin shall not have *dominion* over you," is their watch-word. How clearly this is brought out in a discriminating paragraph of Mr. McGregors little book, "A Holy Life." He says, both wisely and well, "The blessing we preach is not an attainment, but an obtainment. It is not due to anything in the believer, but to the mighty power of God. Therefore, it surely cannot lead to spiritual pride. It should rather lead to a lowlier humility. For the more the believer relies on the Lord Jesus, the more conscious he becomes of his own helplessness, yes, and of his own sinfulness. New deliverance from conscious sinning will bring with it new consciousness of sin that lies below the sinning. Fellowship with the Holy Spirit will discover to us our own unholiness. It is necessary to emphasize this in order to show how far different the teaching of scripture is, from the fatal error of sinful perfection."

We might multiply such quotations to show that the Keswick leaders distinctly repudiate all such terms as "Sinless Perfection," "Entire Sanctification." Terms around which an atmosphere of unreality, of cant has gathered. At a meeting held by the Keswick leaders a few years ago in England, it was resolved to use no other term than the scriptural one, "the baptism of the spirit," as descriptive of the experience for which they plead. Let it be noted carefully that in this movement there is no attempt to lower the standard of God's holiness, but rather to exalt it. The quibble over the relative and absolute perfection of God is absolutely foreign to Keswick teaching. Hence the type of Christian produced is not Pharisaic, but the humble and self-abased Christian, who, though rejoicing in the exhuberance of a life more abundant, speaks much more about what Christ is, than about what he himself is; and humility, that crowning grace of Christian character, is not driven out of the door when a larger, richer experience comes in.

It is this feature, the exaltation of a living, present, reigning Christ, in heart and life, that removes from this movement much that would otherwise be distasteful to earnest, thoughtful Christians.

But what *is* the message of the modern prophet? It is a distinct call to a deeper, richer life in Christ. He tells us that there is a possible Christian life as different from the average experience of the Christian, as summer is from winter, or as the golden days of harvest are from the cold, bleak days of winter. He supports such statements by the testimony of personal experience. F. B. Meyer tells of an hour in his life, long after he commenced to preach the gospel, when he, through C. E. Studd, was lead to see the power of a surrendered, and spirit-filled life. Similar testimonies are on record from men of like intelligence, sincerity, and unassumed humility. Dr. Gordon never wearied of telling of a similar experience, and fills his powerful little book, "The Twofold Life," with well authenticated testimonies to the same truth. Testimonies of this kind might be multiplied indefinitely. We will only say that when such men as Gordon, Meyer, Moody,

and Morgan, men of our own age, tell us of the possibility — yea, reality — of a larger, richer experience of the indwelling Christ — tell us that their experiences exactly tally with the well known, recorded experiences of such men as Wesley, and Finney, and Whitfield, it becomes us to listen with reverent attention and prayerful thought. The modern prophet simply brings to us truth as old as Christ and life as real as His resurrection. There is really nothing new in his message. It could not be true if it were new. His power consists largely in a fresh presentation of old truth, and the persistency with which he insists upon a supernatural equipment for a supernatural work.

It would be a serious charge to make that pastors and churches have largely departed from the simplicity of apostolic dependence upon the personal ministry of the Holy Spirit, and yet who will deny that our modern church methods, with their weakening multiplicity of organizations, their schools of criticism, and undue emphasis upon the purely intellectual side of Christianity, — who can deny, that *practically* there are scores of pastors and churches in all denominations who scarcely know whether there be any Holy Ghost or not. What wonder that the churches are shorn of their power, when a truth so vital is crowded into the back ground. What wonder that conversions are so few, and that worldliness bids fair in many cases to submerge what little life remains. And glad day is it for the world — and for the church, too — when prophets cultured and fearless, knowing by a living experience the truth they preach, and standing upon the bed rock of John 14, 15, 16, arise and call the church back again to a full realization of the work and ministry of the Holy Ghost.

The question simply remains, "are we as pastors and churches prepared to give this message the reception it deserves." We grant you that there are some phases of this movement that we may not like. We may say, for instance, that the modern prophet rings the changes upon one note — to the exclusion of the great initial doctrines of our faith — regeneration, sacrifice, and justification by faith. We may say that it savors of mysticism, and that the mode of its presentation is positively distasteful. All this may be true, but who will say, that in view of the facts of the case, some such movement as this is not needed. The pitiful failure of so many a ministry, and the lamentable spectacle of otherwise strong churches, wrecked among the rocks of worldliness, call for heroic treatment. There are some things about the modern prophet which we do well to avoid, but in the main we need his message. He gives a magnificent weapon wherewith to assail the worldliness in our churches, he gives us a message for the cold, prayerless Christian as well as for the unconverted sinner. He bids us who bear the vessels of the Lord, mount the everlasting hills, where fountains of eternal truth gush forth. He calls us, weary it may be, with the monotony of a service, which, without the aid of the Spirit, becomes little better than drudgery — he calls us to a life which will not only mean new pastures green, and deep still waters of peace to ourselves, but new power, new efficiency, new fruitfulness in God-given spheres of opportunity and need.

THROUGH THE AMOY MISSION WITH A CAMERA.

By Rev. P. W. Pitcher.

There are four principal stations connected with the Amoy Mission, viz: Amoy, Chiang-Chiu, Sio-Khe and Tong-an. At each of these there are resident missionaries.

Amoy is a large and very dirty city with 700,000 people crowded like sardines in a box, in low and dreary houses. Out on the island of the same name there are numerous villages having equally wretched homes with a population of 100,000 more. The whole island is some thirty miles in circumference. Across from Amoy City is the small island of Kolongsu, about a mile and a half broad. Besides the Europeans, numbering two hundred and fifty or three hundred, there are two or three thousand Chinese living on this wee space in different villages. The Chinese always live in villages or cities. I think you will never see an isolated dwelling as in America. This is not merely because the Chinese are a sociable people, but also for mutual protection.

OUR MISSIONARIES AT THE OLD PAGODA, AMOY.

Approaching the city from the sea and entering the harbor of Amoy, which is one of the prettiest and safest in the world, the first thing that attracts attention is a tall pagoda, built of solid masonry that lifts its head fifty or sixty feet above the high mountain on which it stands. There are quite a number of pagodas about Amoy, and some are in a tumbledown condition. This one stands out more boldly and conspicuously than all others. It is difficult to lose sight of it. The mountain on which it stands is about 1,700 feet high, so that wherever you wander, though it be miles away from Amoy, you will see that old pagoda standing out against the sky like some ancient sentinel.

This pagoda was built seven or eight hundred years ago, and may therefore be considered an ancient *piece of China*. For what purpose pagodas in general were built is not really known. Perhaps to be repositories of ancient relics, or to allay some superstitious fear, or to commemorate some great event or notable man. They contain no idols, but do contain much rubbish. They are not places of worship. The Chinese, however, revere them and look upon them with a great deal of superstitious awe. Natives and foreigners alike delight to make pilgrimages to this particular one, and the group at the base of the pagoda in the picture is a party of missionaries that visited this spot December 31, 1900. A great feat for the most venturesome is to crawl up through the dust of ages, on the unevenly projecting slabs of stone which jut out from the inside walls, to the topmost window and look down upon the timid ones below.

Whether or not the pagodas are signs of paganism you will not need to search long to find evidences of idolatry. Let us take a peep into the cities. Temples with their hideous looking idols abound. All sorts and conditions of men congregate at these shrines, some with bundles, some with their wares, the barber with all his tonsorial apparatus waiting for customers, and the beggar in his loathsome garments picking out the vermin. Amoy is a dirty city, but at the temples one comes in contact with the fullest line of samples of this filth. Here, however, is where the camera fails, for you cannot photograph filth. You can photograph the idols, however. It would be extremely difficult for any one living among the followers of Confucius, Buddha and Laotze to exaggerate the hideousness and degradation connected with idolatry. If you should see some of the monsters they have created with their own hands to represent Deity, you would get some faint impression of it.

I should like to explain a great many things about the schools, hospitals and children's home, but there is only time to look at some faces of students of the Middle school, for we must go up to Tong-an, Chiang-Chiu and Sio-Khe.

THE OLD PAGODA.

The Tong-an district is about as large as Dutchess County, New York. The city is of the third rank — a county seat. About 50,000 people live there, and in the whole district 400,000. Like all cities in China, Tong-an has a great wall. There are about 2,000 walled cities in China, the purpose of the walls being protection in time of anarchy and rebellion. The curious thing about Tong-an (and a great many other cities) is that a larger portion of the city is outside the walls, and so we have a city around the walls instead of walls around the city. Tong-an's walled city covers a small space — perhaps 2,000 people are within, while nearly 48,000 are without. Space within became too limited, and so the people began and continued to build outside. This wall is about thirty feet high, and the top is reached by stone steps on the inside. The top is ten or fifteen feet wide, affording the very best place for walking. The missionaries frequently go there for afternoon walks. Some one has taken a snapshot of Miss Calkoen while walking on this wall. She lived alone in Tong-an before she returned to Holland on account of ill-health.

We must now make a flying visit to Chiang-Chiu and Sio-Khe, west of Amoy. A journey of twenty-five miles brings us to Chiang-Chiu city.

We next start out for the regions beyond Sio-Khe, another thirty miles away. For the want of something better, we will take a boat after the style in the picture. It is the Chiang-Chiu and Sio-Khe day boat. It never travels in the dark, and always ties up at some sand bank for the night, unless you tip the captain. For slow traveling it can beat the world. We sometimes shorten the distance and time by getting out of the boat and walking ten or fifteen miles, thus reaching our destination some ten hours earlier. But let us remember that we are in China, and either over narrow paths (no roads) through the paddies (rice fields) on foot or in sedan chairs, or by craft of this build the journey from Chiang-Chiu to Sio-Khe must be made.

While we are journeying up the stream we are traveling through the most important and the largest portion of our Amoy field. Though Amoy is the real headquarters of our mission and the chief educational center, our great field for the work of evangelization and church planting lies here, simply because of the immense area it covers, and the number of people it contains. The Chiang-Chiu and Sio-Khe districts contain about 5,000 square miles — nearly as many as Connecticut — and have a population of 2,000,000 souls. For ten or twelve years *one ordained missionary* has attempted to conduct the evangelistic work of this immense region. Could anything more impossible be imagined?

But here we are in Sio-Khe. There is Neerbosch Hospital and the residence of Dr. and Mrs. Stumpf. He and his wife, and little Conrad, too, will be delighted to see you and give you a warm welcome. Mr. and Mrs. Warnshuis have taken up their residence here to conduct the evangelistic work of the Sio-Khe field, and they, too, will cheer you up in their little cottage and make you forget that you are in China.

And now since I have introduced you to some of the members of our mission at Sio-Khe, I wish to introduce you to the oldest pastor and the oldest Christian in this district. Work began in this region in 1876. The church at Sio-Khe was organized in 1881. It has had but one pastor, the Rev. Iap, who was installed in 1884. He has been in our mission nearly forty years. A good and noble man, and at sixty or more years of age most active and energetic. The first fruits of the gospel in this field were gathered some twenty-five years ago. Si Hia (Brother Si) was the *second convert* received into the Sio-Khe church. He is old now, and is spoken of as a man of sterling and lovable Christian character. There are today in the Sio-Khe region four church organizations, all self-supporting, with ten out stations.—Reprinted by courtesy of "The Mission Field."

Christ built no church, wrote no book, left no money, and erected no monuments; yet show me ten square miles in the whole earth where Christianity is not, and where the life of man and the purity of woman are respected, and I will give up Christianity.—Lowell.

Brotherhood is the dynamic of civilization. There will never be a united nation nor a redeemed world until there is a realization of brotherhood. —The Rev. A. H. Bradford, D. D.

Sow kindly acts and thou shalt reap their fruition. Inaction in a deed of mercy becomes an action in a deadly sin.

Our influence is far greater than any one of us imagines, even though it is not always largest in the direction of our chief desire. Let us see that it is always for the right.

Evil thoughts swarm only in unoccupied minds. Be busy about noble things if you would be saved from the ignoble.

We estimate a friend's love not so much by what he gives us as by what

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Christianity is not an occupation that can be followed or laid aside at one's pleasure. It is a life that must be continuous or lost.

GRADUATING CLASS, 1900, TALMAGE MEMORIAL.

A CHINESE TEMPLE.

MARTHA AND MARY.

An old Scotch preacher speaking about Mary and Martha said, "As for Mary, I dinna think muckle o' her. She was just a puir fushionless cratur, aye sittin afore the fire wi' her hands owre ither, reading bookies, when she had better been cookin her man's dinner and Martha wasna muckle better, aye guddlin and scrubbin. It was aye washin day wi' her."—Scottish American.

NEED OF THOUGHT.

Before undertaking new work, Leonardo da Vinci often sat for days without moving his hand, lost in deep reflection. It was so when Filippino Lippi transferred to him an order for an altar picture in the monastery of a church. The complaint of the prior was of no avail. Without the vision of an ideal, he would not lift a brush to the canvas.

It was especially so in his great masterpiece, "The Last Supper." For days he awaited the moment when the face of Christ would be revealed to him in a manner worthy to represent his matchless perfection. The vision came, and all after ages have been ennobled by its production.

Long before Tennyson put into majestic verse the story of the Holy Grail, the theme was suggested by friends especially worthy of his masterly skill. He refused the task, accounting himself unfitted to recount, under this beauteous symbol, the story of the pursuit of manhood's spotless purity. Years went by until, in the consecration of his own life to the lofty ideal, he was inspired to picture the successful quest of the pure noble Sir Galahad.

Fifty years in the life of James Tissot were given to the commonplace in art. The vision of the Christ, unsought, yet seen in the sanctuary whither he had gone with secular intent, awoke his slumbering genius, and gave birth in his soul to an altogether new power. It transformed him into an artist-historian, whose wondrous paintings preach an eloquent and convincing gospel, and make men see the very vision which so revolutionized and inspired him.

It is ever thus in all creative work. He who would open other eyes to life's divinest revelations must first see and appropriate their glory. We can communicate only what we have received.—*Exchange.*

THE SALVATION ARMY.

Since our last letter we are glad to report progress in all our branches. Adjutant Miller has left for other fields, and Captain and Mrs. Nicholson and Captain Abraham Scheinfeldt have come to take his place. We have again started street and indoor meetings, the last named at 24 Church street, where meetings are held every night except Monday, also Sunday at 11 a. m. and 3 p. m., also at 8 o'clock in the evening. Our Industrial Home at 33 Spruce street is now running very smoothly and we are expecting soon to have this branch of our work on a good substantial basis. We solicit contributions of cast-off clothing, old magazines, etc., for the Home, for which our team will call on receipt of postal.

The Shelter for Women has issued a very neat annual report setting forth the work of this modest, but most useful mission. It is a cause not to be overlooked, or ignored, by those who are truly charitable in thought as well as deed. Here is a splendid opportunity, in a quiet way, to "lend a hand."

LINCOLN THE PIONEER SUFFRAGIST.

Abraham Lincoln was the pioneer advocate of the woman's ballot among the public men of America. Twelve years before the first equal rights convention was held, in a letter to the electors of Sangamon county, dated June 13, 1836, and printed in the Sangamon County Journal, published at New Salem, Ill., Lincoln wrote: "I go for all sharing the privileges of the government who assist in bearing its burdens; consequently I go for admitting all whites to the right of suffrage who pay taxes or bear arms, by no means excluding females."

SI HIA.

THE PIVOTAL QUESTION.

Said Joe to Sam in fierce debate
Upon the woman question:
"You've answered well all other points
Now here's my last suggestion:
"When woman goes to cast her vote—
Some miles away, it may be—
Who then, I ask, will stay at home
To rock and tend the baby?"
Said Sam, "I own you've made my case
Appear a little breezy.
Suppose you put this question by,
And ask me something easy!
"But, since the matter seems to turn
On this as on its axis,
Just get the one who rocked it when
she went to pay her taxes!"

—Progress.

THE RIVER "DAY BOAT."

WETHERSFIELD AVENUE CONGREGATIONAL.

The pastor and his family gave a reception February 11, to the members of the church and their friends. The evening being very rainy there was not as large a gathering as a year ago, but a very enjoyable time was had. Miss Elizabeth Phipps and Miss Mary Noble had charge of the tables.

Miss Sophie Hollister's class gave an entertainment last week to raise money for the church. This is the first class that has made such an attempt.

The Sunday-school is trying to raise $100, each class trying to raise $10, or more.

The Ladies Aid Society is planning something extra for a supper and entertainment this week, and will charge 25 cents instead of 15 cents as usual.

Much sympathy is felt for Mrs. Main of our church, who was hurt recently by falling from a trolley car.

MORGAN STREET MISSION.

A mothers' meeting has lately been started at the chapel. It is held on Friday, at half-past two, and is much enjoyed by all who attend. A brief talk on some portion of scripture is given each week, and special music is sometimes a feature of the meeting. At the close of the devotional hour, light refreshments are served.

The evangelistic service held on Sunday evening, is reaching the parents of the Sunday-school scholars in a most encouraging way. The fact that children are not admitted without their parents, proves an incentive to them to urge the older people to attend, and it is found that children make good missionaries. At a recent meeting of the Pleasant Hour Club, Miss Laura Jones gave a most interesting talk on "Birds," showing the work of the Audubon Society. The day was a very stormy one, but about sixty boys and girls were present, and were most enthusiastic listeners. Many of them pledged themselves to protect the birds and are now wearing the pin of the society.

NORTH METHODIST.

The lecture on Abraham Lincoln, Monday evening, February 9, was largely attended and proved very interesting. The patriotic music of the choir was much enjoyed.

Superintendent Howard A. Camp has recovered from his illness, and was present last Sunday.

The young people's social, at Mrs. Davole's home, was greatly enjoyed.

The Hartford Union Endeavor meeting at Suffield Street Chapel was attended by many of our members.

Miss Marie Howell has recovered from her sickness.

The Sunday-school is increasing in numbers, and the missionary society is doing good work.

The fourth quarterly conference will be held next month. The church is in good financial standing.

There is great need of more books in the library, and Librarian Whelon is urging the necessity of more money for the purchase of new books.

The primary department is affected in attendance by the stormy Sundays.

NEW BRITAIN AVENUE MISSION.

January 30, the Ladies Aid Society gave one of their famous suppers, which proved a success, the proceeds going towards the chair fund.

There has been a chair committee appointed to see what can be done about some new chairs and we are in hopes to have them soon.

Those who have kindly assisted this last month in Sunday night services are, Mr. Hill, Mr. Roger Dunlap, of the Theological Seminary and Rev. Mr. Hicks.

The mid-week prayer meeting has been changed from Wednesday to Thursday night and will be held on that night until further notice.

SOUTH PARK METHODIST.

The special meetings held in January were very interesting and productive of much good. A large class of probationers were received into the church February 1, and a number baptized.

On the afternoon of February 1, the Junior Epworth League was addressed by Mrs. A. L. Calkins, on a missionary topic.

The pastor has formed a class, which meets Thursday afternoons, for the boys and girls who have started in the Christian life.

The Womans' Home Missionary Society is to hold an open meeting at the parsonage Monday evening, February 16, at which Mrs. Eaton is to speak concerning the Medical Mission at Boston, and there will be a short musical program.

SUFFIELD ST. BAPTIST.

Through the efforts of our superintendent and the co-operation of several kind friends, we have received a lot of new hymn-books. They are much appreciated.

The seventy-fifth meeting of the Hartford Christian Endeavor Union, will be held with our society Friday evening, February 13, at 7.45 p. m. The program will be as follows: Song Service. Prayer, Rev. J. B. Connell. Announcements. Illustrated Lecture, "Christian Endeavor Circum-navigating the Globe," conducted by Myrton T. Smith. Address, Dr. E. H. Munger. Mizpah Benediction.

The annual report of the secretary of the Sunday-school was as follows: Enrollment, January 1, 1902, 174; Jan. 1, 1903, 161. Decrease, 13. Total attendance. 5,390; last year, 5,087. Average per Sunday, 1902, 105.6; 1901, 99.9; 1900, 92. Largest attendance, Rally Day, Oct. 26, 162. Smallest attendance, June 29, 44.

FOURTH CONGREGATIONAL.

The Hartford Central Association met at this church, Monday afternoon, February 2. About thirty members of the Association were present.

In the evening of the same day, the regular teachers tea was held, at which the men served the supper. This feature resulted in a larger attendance of teachers than for some time. After the supper, Prof. George W. Pease, of the Bible Normal College, gave a lecture upon "Developing the Lesson." The next lecture in the course comes March 2, and the subject is "Making the Lesson Live." These lectures are open to Sunday-school workers in the city, and are of great value.

The famous Fisk Jubilee Singers gave a concert at the church, Wednesday evening, February 4. The church was well-filled and the concert was much enjoyed. Pres. Merrill presented the needs of the institution in a short address.

Two entertaining and successful socials have been given the past month. One on Friday evening, January 30, by the Christian Endeavor Society, which was a "Ping Pong" social. The other was given a week later by the young men's class, at which there was a musical program by members of the class.

OLIVET BAPTIST.

The Y. P. S. C. E. gave an entertainment and lecture on February 6, which was very well attended. The subject was "The Mechanical Construction and History of the Violin." The lecture was

delivered by Rev. S. G. Hastings, formerly an amateur violin maker. A selection was given on the violin by Mrs. Pervo Sage, violinist, and Mrs. Harding sang.

The attendance at our meetings has been increasing steadily for the last few months.

UNITY CHURCH.

The January social was held on the evening of January 30, progressive whist furnishing the entertainment. Seventeen tables were used, and fourteen hands played. The first prizes were won by Mrs. Alfred Searle and Mr. Lyman D. Smith. After the game, Mr. Harry Horton gave a very entertaining monologue, including a number of dialect stories Refreshments of pies, doughnuts, cheese, and coffee were served.

The Charitable Society held its annual meeting on January 8, when the old officers were re-elected.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER.

The Young People's Guild has received an invitation to attend a reception at the Y. M. C. A. on February 23, which has been accepted, and a number of the young people anticipate taking advantage of this opportunity of getting acquainted.

The pastor, Dr. Adams, spoke at the Old People's Home, Sunday, February 8.

On Wednesday afternoon and evening, February 11, the Ladies Benevolent Society held a "Valentine Supper," which proved to be a very unique and enjoyable affair.

Sunday evening, February 15, the regular monthly vesper service will be held in the church. Special music is being arranged and the choir will be enlarged as usual.

TRINITY CHURCH, WETHERSFIELD.

There was an entertainment given the last of January by the United Workers in the parish house, which was a success. The admission was ten cents. Six dollars and sixty cents was cleared.

The United Workers are rehearsing for an entertainment, which will be held in Grange Hall some time before Lent.

Some of the young men of the town are to give a minstrel entertainment for the benefit of Trinity parish, Monday evening, February 23.

PARK CONGREGATIONAL.

On Thursday evening, January 23, the annual roll call and supper was held in the church parlors. The occasion was most successful, socially. Mr. Ranney read from the works of Dr. Wilcox, the first pastor of the church, and then those who joined the church, when each pastor in succession was named, were asked to rise and were counted. A very, very few are living who united with Park Church during Dr. Bushnell's pastorate. Some during Dr. Burton's and Mr. Root's, and many during Mr. Ranney's.

At the annual meeting of the church Thursday evening, January 22, Mr. Joseph King was elected deacon.

On Sunday, February 8, Rev. Lewis W. Hicks addressed the Park Church Club on the subject "The Upper Classes as Affected by Socialism."

February 11 there is a cake, candy, and valentine sale during the afternoon and evening. Ice cream and chocolate will be served. Part of the proceeds of the sale will go to the Montgomery Industrial School for colored girls. We owe this most delightful and valuable occasion to the young ladies of the Mission Circle.

On Saturday, February 7, the Hartford Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions (young ladies' section) met in Park Church chapel. Mrs. Abby Snell Burnell gave some pictures of Hindu life, there were brief papers by the members, and the Mission Circle served tea.

The pastor's topic on Thursday, February 12, was "The Time of the Judges."

A number of new members have recently been added to the C. E. Society, and the meetings are exceedingly helpful. Many take part and the attendance is good. We are always glad to welcome strangers at 4.45 on Sunday afternoons.

CENTER CHURCH.

Our Young People's Society, at their meeting on Sunday afternoon, directly after Vespers, had before them a new constitution for adoption.

The new plans provide for an enlargement of the work of the society, and for an increase in the interest and profit of its meetings. A good number of the young people of the church united to form and direct the new organization, and it is hoped that the interest that has been aroused will continue.

The minister will usually be in his room at the church from 11.30 until 12.30 each week-day, except Monday.

The offering Sunday, February 15, will be for the Congregational Education Society.

Friday, February 13, at 3.00 p. m., the Young Woman's Missionary Club will be addressed by D. W. Cram, on his work at Valvez, Alaska, under direction of the A. M. A. Mr. Cram is supported in this work by the Connecticut Home Missionary Union.

GLENWOOD CONGREGATIONAL.

The special meetings which began with the first Monday in January, proved so interesting that they were continued through three weeks, with interest unabated to the very last. The attendance was excellent, and several manifested a desire to settle the all important question, "What must I do to be saved?"

Tuesday evening, January 2, a chicken pie supper was held at the church, and liberally patronized, as it well deserved to be. Following the supper, the time was beguiled with instrumental and vocal music.

Rev. Mr. Mac Geehon and family have moved from 201 to 107 Laurel street.

Sunday evening, January 25, the young people's meeting was addressed by Mr. Davis of the Hartford Seminary, who gave a talk of great interest on Japan. As Mr. Davis was born in that country, and as his father is at present a missionary there, he knew whereof he spoke, and all who heard him enjoyed a genuine treat.

The regular Sunday evening service that same day was conducted by the Rev. Edward Hawes.

On Tuesday evening, February 24, a cake and pie sale will be held at the church, to be followed by an entertainment in the church parlors. It is to be hoped that there will be a liberal patronage.

FARMINGTON AVENUE CONGREGATIONAL.

The Y. P. S. C. E. gave a very enjoyable entertainment in the parish house last Friday evening, February 6, to a large and enthusiastic audience. "An Old Maid's Convention," was the title of the laughable play presented by them and is the best thing ever produced in this new church location.

Those who were in the cast included Mrs. F. H. Whittlesey, the Misses Evelyn Swift, Ruth Abbey, Iva Abbey, Lavonne Warren, Gertrude Warren, Grace D. Thayer, Ruth Messenger, Bertha Messenger, Florence Griswold, Helen Baker, Iris Knight, Elizabeth Forbes, Mrs. H. W. Alden, Mrs. David Calhoun, Olive Allen, Mrs. Wm. D. Odber, Lucy Hazen, Miss Barnes, Mrs. H. G. Bissell and Mr. E. W. Pearson. The talent representing transformed people were Miss Evelyn Kellogg, Miss Martha Spencer, Miss Florence Fenn and Ruth Fenn, each one of whom delighted their hearers with vocal music and recitations.

The C. E. Society will give a stereoptican lecture, Sunday evening next, February 15, entitled "Christian Endeavor Circumnavigating the Globe." This will be a very interesting meeting.

Dr. Griswold has assumed charge of the Allen Bible class, and together with Mrs. Griswold, was tendered a pleasant reception recently.

Deacon P. P. Bennett, W. G. Baxter, David Calhoun and N. B. Bassett, the early members of Hartford Christian Endeavor Union, the first named having been its first president, gave pleasant talks at the Endeavor meeting a week ago relative to our society and the Union as well.

The Chinese Sunday-school tendered their teachers a very enjoyable entertainment and supper Monday evening, February 9. A marked improvement was noted in the work of the scholars.

SOUTH BAPTIST.

The Ever Ready Circle of King's Daughters is a flourishing circle of sixteen young ladies formerly in charge of Mrs. Frank Dixon, but now under the supervision of Mrs. William H. Rhodes. It is very much interested in the work of the Social Settlement on North street and recently Miss Mary G. Jones, who is head-worker there, addressed the circle at the home of Mrs. Rhodes. A very delightful evening was passed, and Miss Jones won the hearts of all the members of the circle by her interesting talk on her work among the Italians and Jews. The circle is now busy sewing for Miss Jones. and hopes to be of much service to her in the coming months.

The Sunday evening service has been discontinued until further notice.

The Y. P. S. C. E. has voted to close its regular meetings, Sunday evenings at 7 o'clock, after which time the meetings will be open for addresses by the visiting pastors and others who may wish to take part.

Arrangements are being made by the Ladies Benevolent Society for a Colonial Bazaar to be held shortly with the object of securing a better lighting service in our chapel.

WETHERSFIELD CONGREGATIONAL.

February 3, eight of our Sunday-school members attended the seventy-first meeting of the Wethersfield and Berlin Sunday-school Union, held at Berlin. The address of the evening was on "Adolescence."

On February 6, our C. E. Society was entertained by the Griswoldville society, celebrating in this way, "Endeavor Day." An entertainment was given, followed by refreshments and a social time.

On February 7, a meeting of mothers and their children was held in the chapel which was well attended, Mrs. Barstow reading a very helpful paper.

In the death of Mrs. Augusta Welles recently, aged 81, our church loses one of its oldest and most respected members.

The Ladies Aid Society gave a chicken supper on the evening of February 11, in the chapel.

The regular meeting of the Men's League will be held on Feb. 16, subject, "School Consolidation."

Lincoln Day will be observed by our Sunday-school, Sunday, Feb. 15.

BLOOMFIELD CONGREGATIONAL

The annual meeting of the Ecclesiastical Society was held Monday evening, February 2. Several names were added to the roll of the society, which seems destined to be continud here indefinitely owing to conditions imposed in the bestowing of trust funds. The reports of the various officers and committees were read, proving for the most part quite satisfactory. The action of the committee of the Prosser Fund, in withholding the names of the beneficiaries, was not approved by all, but it really seems the wisest and kindest thing to do. Little change was made in electing officers for the ensuing year.

A souvenir directory of the church has been prepared by the clerk, Mr. F. C. Bidwell, and distributed to the church members. It will prove convenient, giving, as it does, all the essential information about the church and its various organizations, with a list of the benevolent societies supported, and a summing up of last year's benevolences.

The determined effort made last year to reduce the indebtedness of the church has resulted in removing $500 of the mortgage on the parsonage, and taking up of a like amount in notes. The next move will be to secure a fund for painting the church.

The Sunday-school has voted to give five dollars annually, for the next two years, to the Connecticut Sunday School Association.

WETHERSFIELD BAPTIST.

The annual business meeting of the church was held January 29. The reports were very encouraging. The church is free from debt, with a balance in the treasury.

Mrs. Wm. H. Coudray was elected church clerk, and other officers were re-elected. On Thursday evening, Mr. Wm. Munger of West Hartford came and organized a Christian Endeavor Society, with Mr. George Mildrum, president; Miss Lena Mildrum, vice-pres., and Mrs. H. M. Babcock, sec'y and treas. A roll call is contemplated at an early date. The spiritual outlook of the church is hopeful.

WINDSOR METHODIST.

At the semi-annual meeting of the Epworth League the following officers were elected:

Pres. F. W. Spellman; 1st vice-pres., O. G. Arnurius; 2d vice-pres., Mrs. Geo. B. Hyde; 3rd vice-pres., Prof. B. S. Annis; 4th vice-pres., Mrs. Wm. R. Roberts; sec'y and treas., Miss Emma Booth.

The praise service rendered by the choir on Sunday evening, Feb. 8, was very much enjoyed, but owing to the inclemency of the weather many were prevented from attending it, and so, by request, they will repeat the service on Sunday evening, February 15, if the weather be favorable; if not, the following fair Sunday evening.

The Ladies Aid Society will give a supper on Wednesday morning, February 15.

A measuring social will be given by the Epworth League on Wednesday evening, February 25. A musical and literary entertainment will be rendered, and a light lunch served, the price for which being in accordance with the height of each person attending, at the rate of 3 cents per foot, and one cent for every inch and fraction thereof.

ST. PAUL'S METHODIST.

Mr. Luther G. Coburn recently gave his lecture on "John Ruskin," under the auspices of the Epworth League.

A supper and social was given by the Ladies Aid Society on Friday evening, February 6.

William F. McDowell, D. D., secretary of the Board of Education of the M. E. Church, will preach in the church on Sunday evening, Feb. 15.

The choir will give its annual concert the third week in February. A good program is promised.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

The Girl's Friendly Society had a very attractive service on Monday, February 2.

The Ladies' Missionary Society gave a box party on Thursday, February 5, a very large number being present. Another supper was given on February 11.

The Men's Club now has a membership of thirty. More good men seem to be finding out that we have each week, in God's House, a good investment socially, if for no other reason. "No man liveth to himself."

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A MENACE TO ORGANIZED LABOR.

It cannot be said of the CHURCH REVIEW that at any time its columns have contained matter showing any unfriendliness to the cause of organized labor. In fact, to many of our readers, our stand in favor of this cause has often seemed an extremely radical one, for a steady going religious journal. And because we offer reproof now, let it be known first, that our sympathies have not changed on the labor question.

But the "cause" is apparently standing for a thing now, which will surely alienate from it a host of its good friends, though perhaps they may not be actually of its household.

In the lamentable affair at Waterbury, which is still unfortunately unsettled, there was a great deal of riot, and a condition of affairs obtained which brought discredit to the whole State, and in particular to the city involved. What stand did organized labor take at the time? By many it is asserted that the strikers were themselves actually involved, and that they encouraged lawlessness on the part of others. If this is true, it speaks ill for them and their cause. If the charge is false, then why should they so strenuously object, when it became necessary to summon the militia?

Apparently organized labor has set its face against the national militia, and is making determined efforts to crowd out of the service all of their own members. If they succeed, they are doing a thing which will dangrously react upon themselves, for it means an array eventually of class against class, and in such a state of society civil war is always an immediate possibility. And in case of such a war their last condition would be vastly worse than their first.

Consider the advance made in this country by organized labor in the last decade. It is fairly astounding. Yet their greatest victories, and most creditable ones, have been made by methods comparatively peaceful. And their progress will continue, without doubt, if the same methods are followed. How much it will count with them in the future, as it has in the past, if they have the sympathy of the great body of people on their side, and how desperately it will count against them, if by standing for riot and lawlessness, either actively or passively, they alienate that great body—the American public.

For the American people have tasted bitterly of civil war, and have had enough of it. They have enjoyed an era of peace and have not had enough of it. They have become convinced that "Peace hath its victories, no less renowned than war," and that is the only kind they will stand for now. It is the only kind that organized labor can stand for and win out in the end.

SOME ECONOMIC FACTS.

A million dollar-bills packed solidly like leaves in a book make a pile 275 feet high. One thousand million dollars, the price which Europe annually pays for armaments in time of peace, equal a pile of dollar-bills over 52 miles high. This expenditure for the supposed prevention of war represents one thousand million days' labor at one dollar a day, and this, be it remembered, every year to enable each nation merely to hold its own.

A second pile of dollar-bills over 52 miles high represents the annual payment for interest and other costs of past wars.

To these inconcelvably large amounts must be added the earnings of the millions of able-bodied men in army and navy who are withdrawn from productive industries and are supported by taxed peoples.

Since 1850 the population of the world has doubled: its indebtedness, chiefly for war purposes, has quadrupled. It was eight billions fifty years ago, it is thirty-two billions to-day.

We paid for pensions the year before the Cuban war over $147,000,000, about seven times the total income of all our colleges, and about equal to the annual cost of the German army.

Armies take the very flower of youth. If they could consume the weaklings, idiots, and criminals instead of the strongest workmen, perhaps something might be said for the specious argument that "war keeps down surplus population."

Military equipments must be new. One may use an old sewing-machine or reaper, but not a gun that is out of date. A new invention makes old junk of millions of costly arms.

The increase of standing armies and navies, accomplishing no result but increased burdens on the people, is inevitable unless the practical men of the civilized world insist upon a rational settlement of international difficulties. Is it not time for rational beings, who have abandoned tattooing, eating raw flesh, and all other savage practices except the savage practice of settling difficulties by war, to take for their motto, not the outworn charge, "In time of peace prepare for war," but, "In time of temporary peace, prepare for permanent peace?"

"Were half the power that fills the world with terror,
Were half the wealth bestowed on camps and courts,
Given to redeem the human mind from error,
There were no need of arsenals or forts."

THE LENTEN SEASON.

The Lenten season has of late years — owing to the special emphasis placed upon it by some branches of the Church, and the resulting temporary staying of the tide of worldliness and frivolity at that time — proved peculiarly favorable to the promotion of religious interest. Its connection with the death and resurrection of our Lord, increasingly recognized in all branches of the Church, would seem to make it a most opportune time for the quickening of Chris-

tians for spiritual life and service.

This year, many churches of many denominations have decided to carry on a gospel campaign during this season. Beginning with "Ash Wednesday," February 25, which it is proposed to make "a day of humiliation and prayer," and continuing through until Easter, daily services are to be held in these churches, and daily efforts are to be made to win converts to Christianity. This is no new departure for churches of some denominations, but the movement will probably be more universal in this country, this year, than ever before in its history.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION AT JERUSALEM.

A gathering of representatives of Sunday-schools all over the civilized world at Jerusalem, the center of the holiest traditions of the Christian faith, the mecca toward which the pilgrimages of devout Christians have been tending through all the centuries of this era, is to be witnessed in the year 1904, in the assembling of the World's Sunday-school Convention. At the International Convention at Denver, the suggestion that the next World's Convention be held in the Holy City was received with great enthusiasm, and this suggestion was definitely adopted by the World's Executive Committee, in session in Philadelphia. This committee is already making arrangements for this convention which, from the place of its meeting, the vastness of its constituency, and the cosmopolitanism of its representatives, will be one of the most important religious gatherings in the history of Protestantism.

DECISION DAY.

One of the new days in the calendar of many churches is known as Decision Day. And practically it seems to be working well where tried. Theoretically, however, the name conveys an idea, which will be objected to by many, in that it postpones to a future day the divine promise, which holds good only for the present hour. "*To-day* if ye will hear his voice."

It should be impressed by all who emphasize the importance of Decision Day, that it excuses no waiting on the part of the individual. If God's call to the heart comes at an hour not set by man, the response should not be delayed because Decision Day is a month distant. Such a delay might prove of everlasting disaster to a human soul. If we are to make much of this new day, let us not remain passive throughout the rest of the year, for there are surely those who will hunger and thirst after righteousness, regardless of any calender.

Perhaps "a gift horse is not to be looked in the mouth" out Chicago way, but elsewhere in the country, where the people is taxed heavily on oil, without local returns, it is pertinent to ask how much each of us share in the endowment of Chicago University, the favorite object of Mr. Rockefeller's benevolence?

A musical event of much importance is the Piano and Song Recital to be given in Unity Hall, Monday evening, February 16th, by Alma-Webster Powell, Prima Donna Soprano, and Eugenio de Pirani, Composer-Pianist. Tickets are now on sale at Wm. Wander & Sons, 241 Asylum Street.

BUSINESS AND PLEASURE.

"What kind of oil, Pat, do you suppose they use to produce that color?" asked the citizens as a freight train went by showing a green lantern.

"Sure I should say some of the Imerald Isle, sir."

"Where is Josiar?" asked Mrs. Corntossel, uneasily. "Well," answered her husband, as he proceeded to fill his pipe, "I don't say fur certain. If the ice is as strong as he thinks it is, he's gone skatin', 'but if it ain't, he's gone swimmin'."

"Now, then, children," said the teacher, who had been commenting upon polar expeditions, "who can tell me what fierce animals inhabit the North Pole?"

"Polecats!" shouted the boy at the foot of the class.

Messrs. Curtis and Johnson, the well known firm of architects, have published an artistic and interesting book showing many fine illustrations of residences and public buildings designed and supervised by them. These include State institutions, town halls, churches, and the residences of many of Hartford's well known business men. Those who contemplate building should consult this enterprising firm.

The following pretty story is told of Will Carleton, the popular poet:

In a hotel, some years ago, Mr. Carleton asked for his bill. "There is no charge to you, Mr. Carleton," said the proprietor.

The author naturally inquired the reason for such unusual treatment, and asked again for his bill, but was again refused.

"But," protested Mr. Carlton, "I don't know you."

"Mr. Carleton," said the lanlord, "some time ago, my wife and I had serious differences, and we finally decided to seperate. We had been married a good many years. I sent for a lawyer and he drew up an agreement about our property and how it would be divided. Just about that time I read your poems, 'Betsy and I Are Out,' and 'How Betsy and I Made Up.' I was struck hard by the poems, and I took them to my wife and read them to her. She cried, and—well, we've been together ever since, and there'll never be a bill for you in this house, Mr. Carleton."

Wheelock's Restaurant, No. 12 Church street, is convenient to the shopping district and offers a good course dinner for 25 cents. Twenty-one meal tickets are sold at reduced rates.

The soda fountain at the Diamond Candy Store, 1007 Main street, is probably the handsomest and best in Hartford, and well worth calling to inspect. The candies sold at this store are remarkably low in price, as the advertisement on another page will show.

Some one had a turtle to be shipped East, and wanted to prepay the charges. The expressman hunted through his lists for the rate, but in vain. Then perceiving the customer was impatient, he exclaimed in despair, "Cats is dogs, and so is rabbits: but this here turkle is an insect, an' they ain't no charges, an' she goes free."

ADDITIONAL CHURCHES.

FIRST BAPTIST.

Thursday evening, Feb. 12, special services were inaugurated under the leadership of the Rev. Raymond Maplesden. A large number was in attendance. Preliminary to these meetings several home prayer meetings were held in various parts of the city on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings.

During the past year the membership of the Young Ladies' Missionary Club, has been enlarged until it now numbers about twenty-five. The meetings have been well attended.

The first two or three months were devoted to study of Africa, and the Life of Booker Washington, which was very interesting.

The Steadfast Club and Helpers' Mission Band gave a reception and social on a recent Wednesday evening to the Italians who worship with us every week.

We were delighted to hear Rev. F. H. Divine, our State convention superintendent Sunday, February 1. Those present learned much that was new to them concerning Baptist work in Connecticut.

Nothing has more delighted the hearts of the members of this church, than the opportunity given on a recent Sunday, for all to join in sending a birthday gift to our senior deacon, Mr. James L. Howard. Eighty-five roses were sent on Monday morning, in the name of his friends, to wish many happy returns of the day.

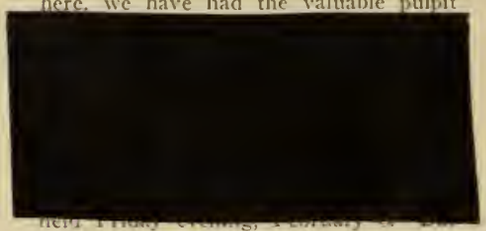
The Good Shepherd branch of the Brotherhood played a series of games of bowling at the Colt Memorial building alleys, with the Christ Church Brotherhood team, and were victorious.

The Men's League is preparing for the concert to be given at the Memorial Hall by the Trinity Glee and Mandolin Clubs on Thursday, February 19. A good attendance and a pleasant evening's entertainment is anticipated.

The Women's Auxiliary is meeting weekly and doing good work.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

While our pastor has been called away for the past three weeks to assist in mission work in the Catskill region, and we have missed him in the work here, we have had the valuable pulpit



very little change was made in the official list.

Our clerk and treasurer, Mr. W. J. Pierce, reported all bills paid and a small sum in the treasury.

FIRST METHODIST.

We shall observe Lent, from Ash Wednesday. Meetings will be held certain evenings during the Lenten season until Easter.

Wednesday evening, February 18, "The Rock Concert Company," of Bayonne, N. J., will give a concert in the church. These concerts are of high order, good taste and very attractive.

January 28, the League gave a supper in the parlor of the church. All attending report a pleasant time.

Friday evening, February 6, the Ladies Aid Society gave a very pleasant entertainment and social. Dr. McCormick gave a very interesting talk on his trip abroad, and Charles E. Prior, Jr., favored us with several songs.

ASYLUM AVENUE BAPTIST.

A musical and literary entertainment, under the auspices of Kings Daughter's circle, was given in the chapel Monday evening, February 2. Miss Martha L. Spencer, and Miss Clara M. Coe, were the readers, Charles Edw. Prior, Jr., soloist, Mrs. Chas. Edw. Prior, Jr., pianist, and Mr. Leon Wheeler, violinist.

The meeting of the Senior Endeavor Society was omitted February 8, on account of a baptismal service in the evening, at which two members of the Sunday-school were baptized.

ASYLUM HILL CONGREGATIONAL.

At the last meeting of the Teachers' Club, February 3, a statement was made about the efforts of the American Institute of Sacred Literature, of Chicago, to improve Sunday-school instruction.

On Thursday evening, January 22, the annual histories of the church and Sunday-school were read. This practice is good for both encouragement and warning, and is interesting to all. The reading was followed by a social evening.

The Teachers' Club has arranged a course of lectures in the chapel on Old Testament Questions, which will be open to the public, but will not be advertised by daily papers or posters. The fee is $1.00 for the six lectures. Tickets may be obtained from members of the Club, or from the secretary, Mr. H. S. Conklin, or from the pastor. The subjects and dates are as follows, and the hour quarter before eight o'clock:

Monday, March 2, "Modern Discoveries in and About Jerusalem." Prof C. C. Stearns. Monday, March 9, "The Two Isaiahs," Prof. T. F. Wood, Smith College. Monday, March 16, "The Assyrian Empire," Prof. W. S. Pratt. Monday, March 23, "Jeremiah's Personality and Message," Prof. C. S. Beardslee. Monday, March 30, "The Persian Empire," Prof. L. B. Paton. Monday, April 6, "The Rise of the Synagogue," Prof. C. S. Thayer.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, EAST HARTFORD.

In the death of Mr. William D. Beaumont, our church loses one of our older members. He had taken a somewhat active part in the management of its affairs, before his health failed, and was chairman of the society's committee at one time.

A very pleasant reception was held by the pastor and his wife, at the parsonage, February 6. A large number were present.

The Sunday-school officers and teachers had a social at the home of the assistant superintendent, Annie E. Olmsted, Monday evening, February 2.

When a man begins to think that it is about time he was making money faster than he can honestly earn it, the devil is getting very close to him.

While the Church is dancing around the golden calf is a poor time to talk about having a revival.

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Special Reserve in addition to Reserve above given,	2,113,933.00
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THE OPEN HEARTH.

The midwinter season, always one of the busiest at the Open Hearth, has thus far proved that the work done here is fully appreciated. The house has been well filled and in some cases it has been hard to accommodate all who applied. The meetings are very fully attended and much interest is manifested by the men in their work.

Superintendent Miller has been enabled to find positions for many deserving persons, both men and women, who attend the mission, or whom he knows to be deserving of help and trustworthy, and families who send to him for men for a few hours, or days, have been supplied with those on whom they can depend.

The children's meetings have been fully attended and good attention given, and the songs heartily sung by the little ones; and those who are of "older growth." The "Girl's Club" is also well attended, and features of interest, which attract the members, are of frequent occurrence. Miss Hamilton kindly came one evening and delighted all by her marvellous skill on the piano, and Superintendent Miller gave a short address on another evening. The importance of giving the girls, who, some of them, have attended the Mission for years, and in fact all others who desire to have a pleasant place to spend their evenings, in this warm, well-lighted room, with games, piano and other pleasures, now seems to be realized and is fully appreciated by all.

Many new features will be added to the work of the Open Hearth as time passes, and our citizens can feel a justifiable pride in its success. Such success has been brought about by the continued efforts of Superintendent Miller and the committee of which Dr. Alton is president, and the liberality of those who love the work.

CARE OF THE TEETH.

Cleanse your teeth once or oftener every day. Cleansing the teeth consists in removing every particle of foreign matter from the teeth and gums. Rinse the mouth after eating. Avoid eating hot food. Thoroughly masticate the food and well salivate it before swallowing. Tartar, which sometimes accumulates on teeth, should be removed by the dentist. If the teeth are well brushed with pure vinegar and water every morning, when tartar is beginning to form it will soon disappear. At night the teeth should be washed with a solution made by adding a teaspoonful of common salt to a tumbler of warm water. This mixture should be used every night at bed time. Salt cleans the teeth, hardens the gums, and sweetens the breath, and is an excellent local alternative to the mucous membrane of the mouth, throat and nose.

WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

Mr. Jack's address of January 20 was one of much interest to all. He declared the drink evil to be the most important question before the American people to-day, beside which, slavery was a small matter. He also told us that one family in every five must furnish a boy to reinforce the depleted ranks of the drunkards, one hundred thousand of whom pass to drunkard's graves annually. If every Christian in Hartford realized and believed that fact, would there be found an open saloon in our city of drunkenness? The address was preceded by an appropriate devotional service led by Mrs. D. W. Howell. Our president, Mrs. Forbes, ably presented the "Curfew Law," at our session of February 3, much of which was published in "The Times" of the following day. We feel that there should be a State Curfew Law, and are resolved that not many years shall pass before our State shall have an opportunity to grant the same. In the meantime may cities and towns avail themselves of so helpful an ordinance.

HARTFORD UNION NOTES.

The winter meeting of the Union was held Friday, evening, February 13, at the Suffield Street Baptist church.

After the usual song service, prayer was offered by Rev. J. B. Connell.

The lecture on "Christian Endeavor Circumnavigating the Globe," was conducted by Myrton T. Smith, and the meeting closed after the address by the president of the Union.

The collection is to be given in part, to the Union for Home work.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

Dear Endeavorers:

There are bills before our legislature upon prison reform which we, as Endeavorers, should know more about and then help our State Sup't of Prison and Jail Work in his endeavor to obtain their passage.

The bills have to do with "Probation officers," "Suspension of Sentences," "Juvenile Courts," "A reformatory in which trades shall be taught" and "Indeterminate sentence for habitual drunkards."

Did your society ever give up an evening to prison reform?" If it has not, it will be helpful to do so. Plan a meeting where papers will be presented by members of your own society. Either Edgar M. Warner, Putnam, or H. H. Spooner, Kensington, can furnish you with material for these papers.

Urge your Representatives and Senator to vote for the passage of the bills named.

Several of our societies are planning to send a number of their members to visit other societies. Some are exchanging leaders with the understanding that some of the society will go with the leader and take part in the meeting. I hope that your society will be one of those doing this work.

At our last directors' meeting we Lookout, Prayer Meeting and Social talked about holding conferences of the committees of the societes of our Union. Since the meeting I have heard from committees of the societies of our Union. and their committees want these conferences.

Please talk the matter over in your society and be sure that your committees attend these meetings when they are held.

The Lookout Committee Conference will probably be held in about two weeks. Notice of the meeting will be sent through the Union Directors.

Yours in C. E.

EDWIN H. MUNGER,
President.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS.

[From the Presbyterian C. E. Manual.]

Sun., Feb. 15. Topic — Lessons from Ben-hadad's Defeat. I Kings 20: 12-20.

Ben-hadad had many allies and large forces. His power was great; but one thing wrecked it all — his drunkenness. That made him weaker than the city he was besieging. Because of it, he was defeated before the battle joined.

There are no advantages and powers so great that drink cannot make them worse than useless. Some talented young men think they can afford to indulge their love of liquor. But this is a great mistake. The brighter the brain, the more drink injures it. The wrecking of an express train is worse than the derailing of a freight engine. The talented man should shun drink even more carefully than the dull one.

When Alexander the Great yielded to drunkenness, his empire over the world was fatally endangered. He slew his loyal friend in a drunken frenzy, and not long after, an untimely death closed his career. He could not control himself, though he conquered all others; and self-indulgence, as always, worked out ruin. Drink gives men up to defeat.

POINTS FOR STUDY.

What warnings do The Proverbs give against drink?

What does Isaiah prophesy to the drunkards of Ephraim?

What does Paul say about drunkards?

What temptation did Daniel and his friends withstand?

Sun., Feb. 22. Topic — An Evening with Home Missions. Acts 1: 6-8.

It is fitting that a home mission topic should be studied upon Washington's Birthday. Washington was a man, who acknowledged the hand of God in national affairs and spoke of Jesus Christ as "the divine Author of our blessed religion." He laid the foundations of American liberty in the fear of God. Every true patriot should have Washington's spirit.

America has moved forward under the guidance of Christian men. Lincoln Grant, Garfield, Harrison, looked to God for wisdom, and feared him. McKinley's last breath was an utterance of trust in God. President Roosevelt made a speech for home missions before our last Assembly, and is known as an earnest Christian man. America was founded by religious men, and the bone and sinew of her population to-day are God-fearing and right-living men and women.

When America ceases to be distinctively Christian, her greatness will wane. If the untaught immigrant, the western borderer, the Mormon, the mountaineer, the freedmen, are not made Christian and kept so, all the great names of American history will not save it from a record of decay and defeat. Home missions should appeal to every impulse of patriotism.

POINTS FOR STUDY.

What work is being done for the freedmen?

What work is begun in Cuba, Porto Rico, the Philippines?

What missionary work is being done among the Indians?

What work has been commenced among foreign immigrants?

Sun., Mar. 1. Topic — Lessons from the Sermon on the Mount: What Christ Teaches about Blessedness. Matt. 5: 1-12.

Carlyle says, "There is a higher height than happiness; there is blessedness." The Beatitudes lead the soul to this higher height, beyond the changing joys of earth, into the steadfast radiance of heaven. Each one of them goes deeper than human philosophy and higher than human sight. If we can reach the knowledge of even one of them in a lifetime, we have not lived in vain.

Christ is the only one who can speak with authority on the highest things of the soul. His Beatitudes contradict the wisdom of the world; but they remain forever true and authorative. As the centuries pass, and the gospel leavens the world, men begin to see that some of the hardest sayings of Christ are being proved by history.

Such heights as the Beatitudes lead to cannot be reached without climbing. No one has ever fully realized any one of them. They are perfectly simple — so simple that we have to lay aside many things before we can enter into their spirit. Like mountain pinnacles, they stand clear against the sky, but only the patient, willing climber can reach them.

POINTS FOR STUDY.

What persecutions did Paul endure for the faith?

How did Joseph show mercy to his wicked brethren?

What does the Psalmist say about thirsting for God?

What generous spirit did Abraham show toward Lot?

Sun., Mar. 8. Topic — Lessons from the Sermon on the Mount: What Christ Teaches About Heart-righteousness. Matt. 5: 20-48; 6: 16-18.

The scribes and Pharisees felt themselves to be much holier and better than any other people. They prayed and fasted and despised their fellow-men. With all their profession they stood for evil things — pride, cheating, injustice, insincerity. That was why Jesus rebuked them so often and so sharply. They were hypocrites — actors.

There is only one way of being good. That is the simple, heart-felt way that Jesus taught and showed. It is not an easy way, because it requires the giving up of the whole heart to God. The Pharisee's way was a good deal easier. It was just surface goodness, while underneath all the old sins of the heart flourished. The worst of it was, that it made all honest men dislike religion. Nothing hurts Christ's cause more than inconsistency in church members.

Our Government, when it finds a counterfeit note, defaces and then destroys it. To let it go on circulating would be to dishonor honest notes. So Christ, the source of all righteousness, branded the piety of the Pharisees a cheat and counterfeit. If we want to make our religion genuine, we should notice carefully what Jesus says about false religion, and avoid every element of it.

POINTS FOR STUDY.

What injustice and falsehood did Caiaphas show?

What tricky questions did the Pharisees put to Jesus?

How did the Pharisees treat Judas?

What was the Pharisee's prayer?

EDIFYING PRAYER MEETING.

BY F. E. CLARK.

By far the most common fault, a fault that has killed more prayer meetings than any other, is the idea of substituting instruction for inspiration. A prayer meeting is not a monologue or a dialogue or a trialogue. It is not a sermon or a lecture, or a series of little sermons or lectures, by the gifted few.

In a true prayer meeting the school master element does not predominate. There are plenty of opportunities in the church for instruction. The Sunday morning sermon, the Sunday evening sermon, the Sunday school, the pastor's class, the religious lecture, the missionary meeting—in all these the instruction idea rightly predominates. Do give us one meeting in the week where the heart first of all is fed, where the inspirational and spiritual ideas prevail, where we can talk with God rather than hear talk from man.

An old idea of the prayer meeting is that it must be "edifying," and so it must be; but when you mean by edifying that something fresh or original, witty or wise, must be said by everyone who takes part, who is sufficient for these things? The result has been that the common people, with their common experiences, being virtually excluded, the meeting has often fallen into the hands of two or three of the glib or the self-assured or the long-winded, and it has become anything but "edifying." It has lost its hold and become jejune, uninteresting and lifeless.

The thought of Duty is disagreeable to many even among those who profess to be the servants of God and co-workers with him in the work of the world's salvation. They belong to that class who long to be "at ease in Zion," notwithstanding the woe pronounced upon them by the Lord through the prophet Amos. "We are tied to duty like a horse by a very long rope, attached to a post. So long as we are content with the allotted space we are not troubled with the tether, but when we try to escape we are vexed with kinks, clankings and entanglements."

If we wish to overcome evil, we must overcome it by good. There are doubtless many ways of overcoming the evil in our own hearts, but the simplest, easiest, most universal, is to overcome it by active occupation in some good word or work. The best antidote against evil thoughts which haunt the soul, against the needless perplexities which distract the conscience, is to keep hold of the good we have, and earnestly endeavor to increase the store.—A. P. Stanley.

"Seek not ease, but service. Livingstone died on his knees praying for Africa, that the open sore of the world might be healed."

The total communicants in the Wesleyan Methodist Mission in Fiji are now 41,000, and their contributions to the Church the past year were more than $25,000. Not a bad record for these children of cannibals.

Japan, with practically the same poor laws as Great Britain, has only 24,000 paupers, while Great Britain has 100,000. A Japanese statesman, being asked to explain, replied, "The Japanese drink tea; the British drink alcohol."

Drink not the third glass, which thou canst not tame,
When once it is within thee; but before,
May'st rule it, as thou list; and pour the shame
Which it would pour on thee, upon the floor.
It is most just to throw that on the ground,
Which would throw me there, if I keep the round.

—Herbert.

Secretary John Hay says that there is no help from alcoholic stimulants in literary work temporarily or on occasions requiring unusual effort or at any other time, and he agrees with James Parton and Sydney Smith in their testimony against alcoholic stimulants for literary workers. In answer to the question whether drinking among literary men was increasing, he replied: "No; it is decreasing, so far as my observation goes."

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

One year ago the Boys' Bible Study Club was organized in the Boys' Department of the Association. During its first season the membership was limited to 100 and an average attendance of about 80 was secured at the regular class meetings. When the club started in its new work last fall the registration was limited to 125, which was filled up quickly. The average attendance this winter has been nearly 100. The boy's gospel meetings held in Fraternity Hall, at 3 p. m., have been addressed by the same speakers who addressed the meetings at the theatre. This plan has worked well, the boys greatly appreciating the privelege of hearing these prominent men from other parts of the country.

The theatre meetings in the Opera House will be continued through the month of March, and very attractive speakers have been secured and every effort will be made to keep the attendance of the meetings up to that of the past weeks.

There is much activity in the various departments in the main building. The season's program will end with the close of the fiscal year, April 30. The Finance Committee and the board of management are engaged in the annual effort to secure sufficient funds to close the books of the Association with all accounts paid. In order to do this the Association needs the help of many friends who have not yet favored the Association with their former donation.

The star course of entertainments will have the closing number on Wednesday, March 4, when a grand concert will be given by the Boston Ladies' Symphony Orchestra, consisting of 20 solo performers. The Saturday night popular entertainments, illustrated lectures, etc., given in Jewell Hall, have been drawing large crowds of people.

The Bible study classes had a special meeting on Tuesday evening, February 10, and took steps to organize the forward movement in the Hartford Association. The purpose of this movement is to interest young men of the Association in the extension of the Young Men's Christian Association work among men in foreign countries.

THE AETNA LIFE.

The Aetna Life Insurance Company of Hartford, Conn., publishes in another column its fifty-third annual statement. This shows that the business done in 1902 was one of noteworthy growth in every direction, and the resulting big figures put the Aetna Life as the leader among the great life insurance companies of New England.

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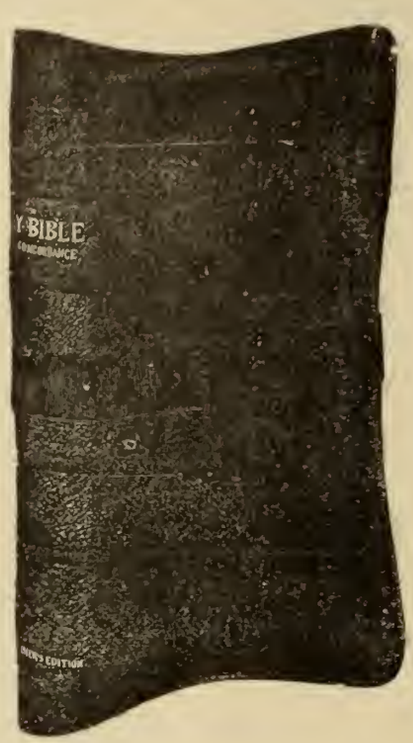

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E. H. Sothern and S. R. Crockett are two names that stand out from the contents page of Leslie's Monthly for February. The former with a graceful and interesting appreciation of Joseph Jefferson, and the latter with the first of a series of stories of adventure in Spain.

The number of The Delineator for February is replete with interesting and valuable matter. The display of fashions is inviting and up to date, and the literary contributions are of a high order. In fiction, two admirable short stories are presented: A Change for the Better, a Western tale, by Louise Hardenburgh Adams and Pamela's Great-grandmother, by Arabella Kenealy.

The Literary World has just been taken in hand by Messrs. L. C. Page & Co., of Boston, with Bliss Carman as editor, and the first number, that for February, shows a decided improvement over its former appearance. Price $1.00 a year.

Some features of the February Century Magazine are "The Aurorea Borealis," by Frank W. Stokes; "The Overshadowing Senate," by Henry L. Nelson; the second installment of "When the Consul Came to Peking," by Abigail H. Fitch; the third installment of "The Prologue of the American Revolution," by Justin H. Smith; "Durance," by Frank P. Smart; the second installment of "The Poe-Chivers Papers;" "Khartum to Cairo in an Adirondack Canoe," by William G. Erving, of this city. The short stories and other features are up to the usual high standard of this magazine.

Seven important men are discussed in the February number of The Cosmopolitan: "The Young Napoleon," by Field-marshal Viscount Wolseley; "Leo Tolstoy: An Interpretation Done in Little," by Elbert Hubbard; August Belmont,, by R. H. Graves; Henry M. Whitney, by A. E. McFarlane; "The Triumphal Tour of Adolph Lorenz," by John Brisben Walker; William Andrews Clark, by H. R. Knapp; and "President McKinley's Tours," by W. W. Price.

The table of contents of the February McClure's is a long and brilliant one. It would not be easy to pick from all the periodicals of the month 112 pages of better or more varied reading than one will find here.

Clifton Johnson is a charming writer and an excellent photographer. Patriotic Americans will be interested in the story of his visit to Lincoln's Neglected Birthplace, which appears in the February *Woman's Home Companion.*

The Tragedy of Pelee. By George Kennan. 257 pages, 12 mo. New York: The Outlook Company. Price, $1.50.

A more vivid and readable narrative could hardly be written than this one by George Kennan. He, of course, is noted the world over as a traveller and an observer who sees things and understands them.

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Pictures of Romance and Wonder. By Sir Edward Burne-Jones. Size 11 x 14 inches. New York: R. H. Russell. Price $5.00.

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An introduction by Fitzroy Carrington gives an excellent idea of the salient features of the artist's work.

Through the courtesy of the publishers we are enabled to reproduce one of the drawings shown in the book.

Why My Photographs Are Bad. By Chas. M. Taylor, Jr. 200 pages, 12 mo. Philadelphia: George W. Jacobs & Co. Price $1.00.

Almost any amateur photographer can tell you without reading this book, that his photographs are bad because the lens on his camera is faulty, because

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weather conditions were way wrong, because the subject did not know how to pose, or because the sun was shining — or else because it wasn't.

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The Real Diary of a Real Boy. By Henry A. Shute. 135 pages, 16 mo. Boston: Everett Press Co. Price $1.00.

If this "diry" is a genuine one, the boy had a precocious sense of humor. It is real humor, however, and continuous, page after page. It is a delight to read the book, and it is refreshing to find it so natural and ingenuous, after the patent artificiality of the various "diaries" and "letters" that have become notorious in the last few seasons, in the literary world.

Centennial of Home Missions, 1802 to 1902. Published in connection with the 114th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America. 288 pages, 12 mo. Philadelphia: The Westminster Press. Price $1.00.

The Assembly of Presbyterians, of which this book is a record, in so far as the addresses delivered then are concerned, was held in New York City, May 16-20, 1902.

In the form of addresses of an almost unvarying vividness and interest, reports were given on different fields of endeavor, and also resumes given of progress in general in mission work.

The Education of Christ. By W. M. Ramsay, D. C. L. 139 pages, 12 mo. New York, G. P. Putnam's Sons. Price $1.00.

The fact that Dr. Robertson Nicoll advised the publication of these "hillside reveries," is a commendation for them that assures their original and unique interest and power.

Of particular interest are the chapters relative to the author's experience in the land of the Saviour's birth and career. What the author has to say about "The Historical Jesus" will impress, at the same time that it informs the reader.

Beauty in God's Word. By Gerard B. F. Hallock, D.D. 188 pages, 12 mo. Philadelphia: The Westminster Press. Price $1.00.

In twenty-five short chapters the author speaks of various aspects of life. With grace and vigor, as well as a charm of interest, he advises and directs toward the courses of true progress in right living.

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Stories of Old France. By Leila Webster Pitman. 312 pages, 12 mo. New York: American Book Co. Price 60 cents

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A Sea Turn and Other Matters. By Thomas Bailey Aldrich. 300 pages, 12 Mo. Boston: Houghton, Mifflin & Co. Price $1.25.

Since "Marjorie Daw" gave fame to Aldrich as a master of the short story, he has written much in both prose and verse that has been recognized as very good.

In the present volume, at least two of the stories have exceptional merit. Of "His Grace the Duke," and "An Untold Story," much might be said in praise and appreciation, for they are clever and well told. The others are good also, and the book should be well received.

Greek and Roman Stoicism and Some of Its Disciples. By Chas. H. Stanley Davis, M.D, Ph.D. 269 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Herbert B. Turner & Co. Price $1.40.

This work gives in a clear and condensed form the various teachings of the ancient Stoic philosophers, as they applied to the problems of human existence and to the practical question of individual life.

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Her Majesty the King. By James Jeffrey Roche. 149 pages, 12 mo. New York: R. H. Russell. Price $1.50.

This is described in a sub-title as "a Romance of the Harem. It is decidedly a romance and full of the quaintest, most humorous conceits imaginable.

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Oliver Herford furnishes some capital illustrations.

The Magic Scissors. By E. M. Pelletrean. 84 pages, square 8 vo. New York: The Abbey Press.

The story of a wonderful pair of scissors which brought happiness to a young princess, is told in the first part of this volume. There are other stories of fairies and other folk that interest children. All are good and are written within the comprehension of young children. The volume is well illustrated.

Swords and Plowshares. By Ernest Crosby. 126 pages, 12 mo. New York: Funk & Wagnalls. Price $1.00.

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It is somewhat to be regretted that a man of such marked position and personal character should have attempted an imitation of the poetic style of Whitman. There was only one Whitman, and his style was so absolutely his own that it is difficult, with success, to copy it.

However, there are some excellent verses in this volume, most of which serve as vehicles for the exposition of Tolstoy's theories and doctrines. There is a depressing tone to the majority of the lines, but there is also real power in them as well, and a sincerity of purpose that cannot be questioned.

A First Book of Forestry. By Filibert Roth. 291 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Ginn & Co. Price 75 cents.

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Jim and Joe. By Edward S. Ellis. 450 pages, 12 mo. Philadelphia: Henry T. Coates & Co. Price 80 cents

A thrilling adventure opens the story and the interest thus aroused continues unabated. The two boy heroes of the story have many adventures, but survive them all, and through pluck and energy make eventual success of their lives. The story is well written though a little familiar.

The Haunted Mine. By Harry Castlemon. 433 pages, 12 mo. Philadelphia: H. T. Coates & Co. Price 80 cents.

This is an exciting story for boys by a writer popular with all young readers. As is usual in Castlemon's stories, extraordinary good fortune befalls his young heroes in this present story, though they pass through numerous adventures and endure some vicissitudes while seeking their treasure.

The Dancers. By Edith M. Thomas. 90 pages, 16 mo. Boston: Richard G. Badger. Price $1.50.

A book of poems in lyric and other forms by one whose place as a singer of real worth has long been accorded. "The Dancers" is a legend of some length, but of beauty and grace, rythmical and sweet, while the other verses in the volume show spontaneity and sincerity.

The Millionairess. By Julian Ralph. 422 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Lathrop Publishing Co. Price $1.50.

Though he has written a story that holds the interest closely, the author has not produced a vital and natural work. One obtains an excellent idea of the vulgarity and coarseness of which some sections of New York society are capable, but it is not altogether healthy reading. There are some very excellent characters and situations, but the heroine hardly arouses the sympathy and admiration of the reader.

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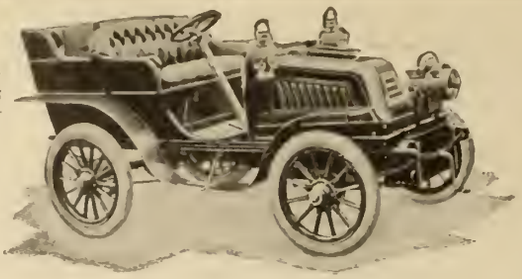

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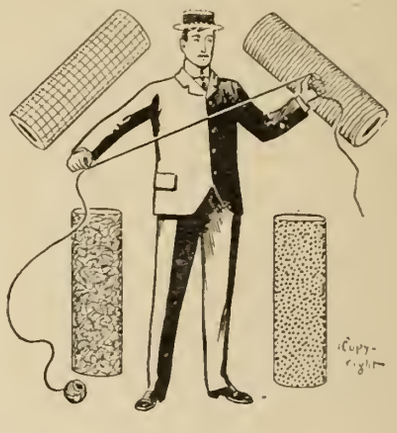

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Toiling and reaching onward, struggling up to God.
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The daily, deadly conflict who can tell?
Lord Jesus, let Thy Spirit fight for me,
And give my better self the victory!

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THE TRAMP PROBLEM AND MUNICIPAL CORRECTION.

BY RAYMOND ROBINS.
SUPERINTENDENT MUNICIPAL LODGING HOUSE.

For some thousands of years the vagrant and the body politic have been at war. This class of human parasites has a very ancient history, and the "Independent Order of Never-sweats" is older than the pyramids. The vagabond has mention in the psalms of David, and a grave maxim of Confucious sets forth most wisely his burdensome relation to the Commonwealth. Corrective legislation seeking to compel the able-bodied vagabond to industry is an interesting chapter in legal lore. The affirmative clause of the fourth commandment has found expression in countless statutes prescribing penalties against this class. The court of Areopagus in Athens punished idleness, and a provision of the Civil Law expelled all sturdy vagrants from the Eternal City. A statute of King George the II. gravely classifies the genus Hobo into three species, and sets a special penalty for each degre in vagrancy.

In common with all penal legislation of earlier times, these statutes have been punitive rather than reformatory. The solons of the past, intent upon punishing results, inquired little into causes. The day has been in merry England when to be an able-bodied vagrant was punishable with death. Of Britain in these good old times it has been said that "the hangman was her Minister of Justice." But from the vagrancy provisions of the New York Code, back through the English poor laws to the Statute of Laborers is a far cry. The evolution of vagrancy correction witnesses a marvelous amelioration. Two opinions have divided the thought and inspired the legislation of the world upon the subject of "vagabondia." One has held that homeless beggars are vice-hardened criminals. The other has regarded the tramp as a helpless victim of the unjust industrial and social conditions — an inevitable product of the times. The one has prescribed whipping posts, rock piles and workhouses, the other indiscriminate charity and free soup. The one has looked for delivery by rigid enforcement of barbarous statutes, the other has expected a solution in industrial and political revolution. The debate still goes on, but the hangman has given place to the sociologist, and the gallows to the municipal lodging house. There has been such an institution in, Huddersfield, England, since 1853. New York, Boston, Chicago, Washington, Providence, and Springfield, Mass., among American cities, have adopted this advanced method for dealing with the tramp problem. Some of these cities have had a municipal lodging house for eight years, and in all instances the results have been most satisfactory.

BEGINNING OF MUNICIPAL LODGINGS IN CHICAGO.

The how of this reform in our Chicago was thiswise. Some two years ago a campany of public spirited men and women formed the City Homes Association, for the purpose, as the record runs, "of improving the physical conditions of life in the more thickly settled districts of Chicago." Standing committees were organized upon "Tenements, Small Parks and Playgrounds, Laws, and Ordinances, Investigation, and Publication." The original membership of the Executive Committee was a galaxy of illustrious citizens. Mrs. Emmons Blaine was elected Chairman, and Cyrus Bentley, Esq., secretary. Miss Jane Addams, Mrs. Cyrus H. McCormick and Mrs. Joseph T. Bowen, with Messrs. Nelson P. Bigelow, Edward B. Butler, Chas. L. Hutchinson, George E. Vincent, Leslie Carter, and Chester M. Dawes made up its personnel.

Immediately things began to happen. A thorough investigation of the tenement conditions of Chicago was undertaken, diligently prosecuted and finished within a year. The data carefully compiled and strikingly illustrated were pubilshed, and this report is reconized as a permanent contribution to the literature of "housing." An ordinance based upon the findings and recommendations of this report is now pending in the Chicago City Council. In the meantime the Association helped

through the Legislature a bill providing for Small Parks and Recreation Grounds in the crowded areas of Chicago. The labors of the Small Parks Commission of the City Council in selecting sites, were greatly facilitated by the investigations and counsel of the specialists of the City Homes Association.

INVESTIGATION BY THE CITY HOMES ASSOCIATION.

The problem of vagrancy came up for consideration when the Lodging House Committee began its investigations. Mr. Edward B. Butler visited the municipal lodging houses in New York and Boston, and his printed report contained the suggestive statement that "in 1899 Chicago housed in her police stations 160,000 people, while New York cared for only 80,000 in her municipal lodging house." This report also embodied a detailed schedule of initial cost and operating expenses. The subject was brought to the attention of Mayor Harrison, and a hearing before the finance committee of the City Council was granted. Largely through the friendly interest of the Mayor an agreement was reached whereby the City Homes Association was required to lease a suitable building for six months and properly equip it for lodging house purposes, while the city agreed to conduct the administration and provide the running expenses. The selection of the superintendent was left with the City Homes Association subject to the ratification of the mayor. Mrs. Emmons Blaine took up the matter of finance and by personal solicitation and contribution soon secured the necessary funds, and a vacant factory building centrally located was leased and equipped to house, bathe and feed 200 men a night. The police stations were closed to vagrants, and the Municipal Lodging House opened its doors on the evening of the 21st of December, 1901.

MUNICIPAL LODGING HOUSE IN ACTION.

Every evening at 12 South Jefferson Street for the past eight months from 10 to 140 hungry and homeless men have stood up for registration. The police officer in charge seperates this group into two lines, "first nighters" and those previously sheltered. As the newcomer steps up to the desk the registration officer, with a pile of blank cards before him, begins his questioning.

APPLICANTS IN LINE.

REGISTRATION AND SUPPER.

Name and age, place of birth, length of residence in the state and city, occupation, with the names and addresses of his last three employers, and when and how long he worked for each—all this and more goes down in black upon the white. The man is given two duplicate numbered checks, and then begins his ascent toward supper, a bath and bed. Entering the first room upon the second floor and sitting down upon a wooden bench before a plain board table, our lodger receives his one-third loaf of fresh bread and pint of hot coffee. This dispatched, he is ushered into a large room supplied with benches, and directed by the attendant to the dispensing window of the sick room, he gets a large meshed clothes sack and fastens upon it one of his duplicate checks. Every rag of clothing, hat and shoes, and all the contents of his pockets are put into this sack. The draw string pulled and tied, this bag of dead and living matter is taken to the fumigating room and subjected for some eight hours to the fierce destroying fumes of ten pounds of rolled brimstone sulphur, burning out all life within its walls.

COMPULSORY BATH.

Next in order is the bath. This is administered in an open, well lighted room, 18x24 feet, containing eight hot and cold water showers, strong soap, brushes and towels without stint. Should this job be poorly done through laxiness, repungance, or unfamiliarity with the task, the officer in charge returns him willy nilly, and should the lodger seem unequal to the labor a husky

attendant does him to turn, and he comes forth, if not as beautiful as the lily, surely with a not unpleasant shining, and if cleanliness be next to godliness, then much nearer the Almighty than he has been for many days.

MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

Putting on a pair of carpet slippers, and arrayed in that informal fashion which prevailed in Eden before the fall, he presents himself to the skilled and keen discernment of the examining physician. This disciple of Galen having found the facts of the lodger's physical condition, whites them upon the same record card that holds his story given at the desk below. He is now recorded beyond the possible success of "fake" excuses in an attempt to evade his reasonable stint of labor on the morrow. The physical examination finished, our lodger dons a clean night robe, and going up another flight of stairs, he finds himself in a large dormitory. There are two sleeping rooms, each containing 100 single enameled iron beds, supplied with a spring mattress, blankets, sheets and pillow. Here he is met by an attendant, who takes him to a bed of corresponding number with his check, and our lodger enters into silence—and perhaps a dreamland musing over better days.

At half past five o'clock each morning all the men are called, and, coming down to the dressing room, each gets his sack of clothes, and after a breakfast of the same quality and proportion as the supper of the night before, our lodger, with his fellow sojourners for the night, is sent to the office for distribution.

When all the men have filed in, the superintendent calls attention to the rules of three hours' labor on the city's streets for able bodied men, and then explains that the city's interest is in having her citizens engaged in honest, independent work, and if they have a fair chance for remunerative employment that day, and can tell a straight story, they will be excused from street work and sent at once upon their way to industry.

Now begins the rarest chapter in all the book. Hard luck experiences, stories of dissipation, disease, accident, industrial displacement, and fairy tales that would turn Hans Anderson green with envy, flow like a troubled river for over an hour and a half. All the evils in Pandora's box have here a victim, and every vice a votary, but John Barleycorn is easily the greatest potentate among them all.

Nevertheless, with the handicap of the record card containing last night's story in black and white against him, the only way of safety for the lodger is to tell the truth. In making his excuse, if the tale sounds "fishy" he is put through the same questioning as on the night before, and on the principle that he lied then he probably lies now, if he varies from his original story he is promptly brought to book, and checked into the street gang for three hours' labor with a hoe.

DISTRIBUTION.

As the cases are disposed of, three main classes of the able bodied are formed:

First—Those who have secured employment for themselves, and can return that day into the ranks of industry.

Second—Those who have worked, and worked well, upon the streets the previous day, and, their references having been investigated and found good, are to be sent to those firms and corporations that employ worthy men from the Municipal Lodging House. If there is no employment reported for that day, these men are given the entire day to seek for work.

Third—"First-nighters" and others whose record is not satisfactory, and who must work upon the streets if they lodge at the city's charge.

The first class go at once, taking a card to be signed by their employer or foreman, and which is returned by mail or otherwise to the Municipal Lodging House.

The second class are sent to those public-spirited firms and corporations that, seeing the value of the work of the Municipal Lodging House, give it the substantial co-operation of employ-

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION.

ing the worthy lodgers whenever they have vacancies.

The third class are taken in charge by a foreman of the City Street Department, and under the supervision of an officer of police, are required to work three hours upon the city streets. Each of these men is given a card, and when his stint of work is finished the foreman writes a record of the quality of the lodger's labor upon this card and attests it with his signature.

THE SICK ARE CARED FOR.

When these classes are disposed of there yet remain the crippled, sick physically incompetent and delinquent class. The Municipal Lodging House, as a clearing house for the indigent, endeavors to secure the final disposition of each case. In making this distribution a single night's registration sometimes calls into helpful co-operation nearly all the charities, public and private, in Chicago.

REDUCED THE VAGRANT CLASS.

While every man in Chicago homeless and without money is welcome at the M. L. H. for four nights, fewer than 8,000 lodgings have been sought by indigents in six months. And this despite the fact that the organized charities and many private citizens, together with the police department, refer all vagrants and homeless individuals to the place. This striking decrease is mainly due to the compulsory bath, medical examination and labor test, which make the Municipal Lodging House uncomfortable to the professional tramp.

RESULTS.

The most conspicuous public benefit that has resulted from the opening of the M. L. H. is the breaking up of organized begging. Beggars now receive a ticket to the lodging house or its address, instead of the pauperizing premiums of indiscriminate charity. As the citizens and housewives of Chicago learn to know that food, a bath, and a clean bed are given free to any homeless man or boy at the Municipal Lodging House the disintegration of the beggar organizations has begun. As one of the "fraternity" was overheard to remark, "the mu-ni-cip-al lodging house has put Chicago on the bum for us fellers; we've got ter move on." The discouraged tramp leaves the city or goes to work. The municipal lodging house is the scientific method for dealing with both vagrancy and the bane of indiscriminate charity. It is far more effective than raiding the "barrel houses" or giving an occasional beggar six months in the House of Correction. It discriminates betwen the unfortunate and the vicious, the discouraged boy and the hardened vagabond, and it results in the cutting off of the base of supplies for the mendicant army.

BOY VAGRANTS.

Another benefit of no small merit is reclaiming the youthful vagrant. A boy from the country or some small town, weary of long hours and short pay, or dazzled by a dream of fortune in the great city, comes to Chicago with a few dollars and great expectations. After a few days or weeks, it may be, his money is gone, he is discouraged by the rebuffs his awkward seeking after work has received, and the noise and rush, and heartless might of the downtown traffic has overwhelmed him. He feels so insignificant among the great piles of brick and stone, among the clanging cars and the hurrying thousands of indifferent fellow-men. A false pride keeps him from returning to his home, if he has one. His heart fails within him, and he thinks of suicide. Wandering about the streets, he happens upon a "barrel house" or "hangout" for hoboes and petty thieves. Here he is sure to receive a hearty welcome, perhaps the first fellowship and human interest in himself that he has found in many days. Some "joker," taking in the situation at a glance, will give him something to eat and a drink, if he will have it, telling him the while a "ghost story" about the easy money, freedom, and good cheer of the hobo's life. This "professional" will care for the boy for days, if need be, well knowing that the boy will almost certainly become a "prushun" or a "jolt" and "batter" many a sinker in the next few weeks that will find its way in loving gratitude into his capacious pocket. The very awkward "greenness" of the boy is

THE DORMITORY.

now his capital, and with a little "priming the boy will tell a "ghost story" that, backed by his fresh face and countryfied appearance, will get him "oodles" of food and clothes, and a little money from the kind-hearted mothers in Chicago. This was the way we cultivated vagrants and petty criminals in the past years! Now this boy is directed to the Municipal Lodging House, and either returned to his home or helped into the ranks of honest industry. Within six months over 500 youths under 20 years of age have passed through the M. L. H. From this class and that of the worthy stranger or displaced workingman, the Municipal Lodging House has sent over 1,700 men to paid employment since the first day of January, 1902.

SPECIAL STATISTICS.

So much for the work of the day. The larger values of such social service as the Municipal Lodging House can render, will doubtless be, the facts collected—the body of real knowledge that will grow up—regarding a class that, in all past civilizations, has grown with the increase of wealth, and augmented with material progress.

THE PROBLEM OF OTHER CITIES.

Through the helpful co-operation of Francis O'Neil, General Superintendent of the Department of Police for the City of Chicago, a letter has been sent to the heads of the police departments in all the larger cities of the United States enclosing a list of questions upon "Vagrancy and Municipal Correction." Replies have been received from over fifty cities, some of which are informing and illuminating to a degree.

To the question, "If you could stop indiscriminate out-door relief, would such action help to any large extent?" all but four replies answer *yes,* with emphasis. To this query the Chief of Police of one of our largest cities answers laconically, "I think one-half."

All opinions unite in agreeing that "the free transportation afforded by the railroads of the country is largely responsible for the growth and prevalence of this class in the United States." Upon this phase of the problem one Chief of Police remarks:

"A very large percentage of all crime against persons and property in country places and smaller cities is perpetrated by this class of people. If it were possible (and I believe it could be made so) to prevent the professional hobo and tramp from beating his way on railroad trains, a great reduction in crime would surely follow." Another Chief of Police in a large manufacturing city says upon this same subject:

"I deem it (easy transportation) to be largely responsible for the tramp evil and its continuance. I think stringent measures should be taken to lessen, and, if possible, to break up the practice of riding on freight trains. The facility with which hobos can move themselves from point to point by trespassing upon freight trains (and on passenger trains in some instances) tends to keep alive the tramp nuisance."

That this practice by vagrants of beating their way from city to city on railroad trains is a curable evil is witnessed by the following testimony of a Chief of Police in one of our larger inland cities:

"Railroads entering our city that have railroad police are seldom bothered by the tramp. Nine-tenths of our tramps are brought here by railroads having no special police." This opinion is reinforced by the statement of the general manager of one of the great railroad systems of America having a thorough police system. He is quoted as follows:

"There are three conspicuous reasons that have deterred railroad people from attacking the tramp problem. First, it has been thought it would entail a very great expense. Our experience on these lines has shown that this fear was not warranted. Second, it has been thought that no support would be given the movement by the local magistrates and police authorities. Our experience shows that in a great majority of cases we have the active support of the local police authorities and that the magistrates have done their full duty. Third, it was feared that there might be some retaliation by the tramps. Up to date we have had very little to complain of upon that score. From the reports I get from my men, I am led to believe that we are gradually ridding, not only the railroad property but much of the territory in which it is situated, of the tramp nuisance."

The final testimony upon this aspect of the case is presented in the words of the Chief of Police of one of the larger Pacific coast cities. He says:

"That free transportation of the young hobos on the railroads makes them criminals there is no doubt, and they are on the increase."

Regarding the effectiveness of the municipal lodging house method for the correction of vagrancy in cities, the Chief of Police in a city that has had a municipal lodging house for eight years testifies as follows:

"Since the establishment of the Municipal Lodging House, where hobos are compelled to work, their number has decreased from over 6,000 annually to between 600 and 700."

CAUSES.

Of causes a wise man will hesitate to speak too positively. Years of patient, open-minded, first-hand study are needed for an authoritative opinion here. The personal vices, of which drunkenness is easily first, are most in evidence. Of the incompetent, the feeble, the uncalled, we see not a few. Traced back we find insanitary homes, insufficient food, during the growing years, and child labor as first in the list of causes for this class. Industrial displacement, due to invention and consolidation in industry, and advancing years is responsible for a growing class in the ranks of vagrancy. This phase of the subject will engage the attention of the civilized world before the end of the present generation.

—THE COMMONS.

CHRIST CHURCH.

The last social evening before Lent, given by the Ladies' Benevolent Society took place in the parish hall on Thursday evening, February 19. There was a large attendance, and after a bountiful supper, provided by the members of the society, a varied and interesting entertainment was given by the members of the Rector's Bible Class, assisted by Mr. Arthur Priest, Mr. Schaefer, Mr. Gordon and others. The evening was one of delightful social intercourse and enjoyment, and was voted by all present, a great success.

The Lenten services have been very fairly attended, the records for several years being surpassed at the Thursday evening services. The preachers on Thursday evenings have been, thus far, the Rev. W. P. Niles of Nashua, N. H., the Rev. Louis N. Booth, of Bridgeport, and the Rev. Edward L. C. Acheson, of Middletown. The preachers yet to come are the Rev. G. B. Morgan, on March 19, the Rev. A. P. Stokes on March 26, and the Rev. F. W. Baker, D.D., on April 2. All these gentlemen are from New Haven.

The local clergy are speaking in the church on Monday and Wednesday at noon, and on Friday, at 5 p. m. Bishop Brewster will visit Christ Church on the third Sunday in Lent, March 15, and will then administer Confirmation. On Mid-Lent Sunday, March 22, Mr. B. N. B. Miller of the Open Hearth, will talk about his work.

On Monday evening, March 2, the choir was entertained at the rectory by Mr. and Mrs. Goodwin. Games, music and refreshments filled up the time, and made an enjoyable evening.

WETHERSFIELD BAPTIST.

The church here is enjoying the sermons of Rev. Mr. Connell. As his services are divided with the Suffield Street Church, we have no Sabbath evening sermon. His quiet work is being felt by all who hear him. Through his efforts a Christian Endeavor Society has been formed, and we hope it will be maintained.

ASYLUM HILL CONGREGATIONAL.

A course of six lectures under the auspices of the Sunday-school Teachers' Club is now being conducted in the chapel. The first lecture "Modern Discoveries in and About Jerusalem," was delivered by Prof. C. C. Stearns of this city, and was extremely interesting. Prof. I. F. Wood, from Smith College, lectured on "The Two Isaiahs." He gave a most learned discourse with a sparkle of humor.

The list of the remaining lectures is as follows: Monday, March 16, "The Assyrian Empire," Prof. W. S. Pratt; Monday, March 23, "Jeremiah's Personality and Message," Prof. C. F. Beardslee; Monday, March 30, "The Persian Empire," Prof. L. F. Paton.; Monday, April 6, "The Rise of hte Synagogue," Prof. C. S. Thayer.

The Rev. H. E. Peabody, of the Windsor Avenue Church, exchanged with Mr. Twichell on February twenty-second.

The Young People's Federation gave a very interesting entertainment, "A Patriotic Evening." It was enjoyable and a success financially.

Dr. Charles W. Page gave a very interesting talk on Cuba one evening.

NEW BRITAIN AVENUE MISSION.

The Mission wishes to thank the following, who have so kindly assisted in Sunday night meetings: Mr. Jacob Finger from Theological Seminary, Rev. H. E. Peabody, Rev. J. C. Adams and Dr. Crothers of Walnut Lodge, who have spoken to us, and others who have helped in vocal and instrumental music.

On the evening of March 13 the Ladies' Aid Society gave one of their suppers.

On the evening of March 18 the blind students gave an entertainment, under the auspices of the King's Daughters.

Committees have been appointed for the annual Easter entertainment.

SOUTH PARK METHODIST.

On Wednesday evening, March 18, the Ladies' Aid Society will give its annual social and supper.

Monday evening, March 2, the Woman's Home Missionary Society held an open meeting in the chapel, at which Mrs. A. R. Clare, conference corresponding secretary, made an interesting address.

A regular weekly teachers' meeting has been started, to be held every Tuesday evening. Besides the usual program of devotion, business and lesson study, there is a short discussion on some theme of interest to the school. The topic for March 17, "What about new singing books?" Discussion opened by Mrs. J. A. Macmillan.

On Friday evening, March 20, Fanny White Strong, the child recitationist and impersonator will give an entertainment under the auspices of the Junior Epworth League, proceeds to be devoted to foreign missionary work.

FOURTH CONGREGATIONAL.

Although the Lenten season has not been marked by special services this year, the regular services of the church have had a character appropriate to the season. Wednesday, February 25, was made a day of humiliation and prayer, and the only special service of the month was held in the evening, with a sermon by the pastor, upon "Sins We Should Confess." At the Thursday evening meetings the special topic has been "Knowing God at First Hand," illustrated from the lives of "Abraham, Moses, Isaiah, Jeremiah and Paul." Sunday evenings the pastor has been preaching a special series of sermons upon the general topic, "Christ and Personal Freedom."

A Lenten musical service was given by the choir Sunday evening, March 8, and repeated by request March 15. In this service all the choir numbers were unaccompanied. Among these were Gounod's "Jesus, Word of God Incarnate." Shelly's "O Holy, Holy, Holy Lord," Emerson's "Near the Cross." Abt.-Johnson's "Rest" was given by the ladies' chorus, and Brown's "The Heavenly Love Abiding," by the quartette and chorus.

At the Wednesday afternoon meeting for women, February 18, Miss Yeomans of Fiske University gave an address on "Work Among the Colored People of the South," and Mrs. R. A. Lawson, a graduate of the same institution, sang.

March 4, Mrs. Eddy gave a Bible reading, and March 11, Miss Dougherty gave a Bible talk on "Quiet Seasons." At the February mother's meeting, Mrs. H. E. Peabody spoke on "Mothers of the Past."

At the February C. E. missionary meeting, Mr. W. M. Proctor of the Seminary spoke upon "Home Missions in the State of Washington."

Among the socials of the past month mention should be made of the Washington birthday social, February 20, and the annual choir supper, February 24, both of which were very enjoyable. For the Washington birthday social the chapel was very tastefully decorated with flags, and the ladies who served were dressed in old-time costumes.

FIRST METHODIST.

We as a church have been called to mourn again the loss of one of our young people, Mr. Emory Shailor, who died February 16.

The church is observing Lent this year by services each evening through the week. These meetings are of a great deal of interest to the members. The talks each night by our pastor are of a stirring nature, and a good, spiritual feeling is being felt throughout the church.

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH.

Owing to continued ill health, our beloved rector, Rev. George R. Warner, has found it necessary to resign, much to the regret of his people, and also his many friends all over the city of all religious denominations. Mr. Warner's resignation takes effect May 19, that being the close of his fourteenth year as rector of the parish. During his ministry there has been a large growth in the communicant list, and many improvements have been made to the church property, including a new pipe organ, lately put in, also new electric lights, the latter given by the Young People's Club.

Mr. and Mrs Warner expect to leave Hartford soon for Grand Junction, Colorado, where their son, George R. Warner, Jr., M. D., D. D. S., has a large practice as a dentist, and it is earnestly hoped that by an entire change of climate and freedom from care Mr. Warner will speedily improve in health.

Rev. John L. Holah of Belleville, Ont., has been engaged for the regular Sunday services until after Easter, and the clergy of Hartford and vicinity have kindly offered their services for a Wednesday evening service during Lent.

TRINITY CHURCH, WETHERSFIELD.

Trinity parish house was filled Monday evening, February 23, with a large and appreciative audience, at the entertainment given by the United Workers. A drama, entitled, "Parson Poor's Donation Party," was well presented. The

cast of characters was as follows: "Mrs. Dusenbury," Mrs. Chas. Hanmer; "Tirzah Ann Tubbs," Mrs. Alfred Watkinson; "Mrs. Deacon Plunkett," Mrs. Mason Southworth; "Mrs. Bebee," Mrs. Edward Case; "Widow Sharpe," Miss Charlotte Case; "Madam Bradford," Mrs. Alfred Hanmer; "Parson Poor," John Horton; "Parson Poor's Wife," Miss Charlotte Story; "Lucy Poor" (the daughter), Miss Clara Furnival; "Peter Poor" (the son), Gilbert Furnival; "Deacon Plunkett," Lucien Horton; children, Wm. Young, Arthur Story, Rose Warner, Alden Horton, Clarence Skaats, Charlotte Furnival, Florence Chapin and Katherine Clark. Old-fashioned costumes were worn, and the stage setting was in the fashion of "ye olden times."

Easter Day: Holy Communion, 6:30 a. m.; Holy Communion and sermon, 10:30 a. m.; Sunday-school carol service,, 4 p. m.

NEWINGTON CONGREGATIONAL.

The Young Ladies' Mission Circle is invited to meet with Miss Agnes Belden on March 18, from 3 until 5 o'clock, to sew for a missionary in India.

Mr. Joseph Camp was appointed deledate to the council in New Britain, to dismiss Dr. Cooper.

Mr. Joshua Belden was appointed deacon to succeed Deacon Whittlesey, who died last November.

The contributions from the Sunday-school for the next three months are for Mrs. Richardson, Marshallville, Ga.

Mr. Dwight Merrills was granted a letter of dismissal from this church to a Congregational church in Hartford.

The Ladies' Aid Society is planning for an entertainment to be given in April.

The children have begun to rehearse for Easter.

Miss Hattie Rowley was married to Clinton Barrows on March 5.

Our church has sustained a great loss in the death of Mrs. Thomas Francis. She was a devoted member of the Sunday-school and Christian Endeavor, and her cheerful presence will be greatly missed.

THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

The church sustains a great loss in the death of General William B. Franklin, who was its senior warden for about twenty years. He was a regular attendant at its services and always had the church's interests at heart. The funeral service, on Wednesday, March 11, was attended by a number of army and society friends and associates from out of town, as well as members of this church and friends from this vicinity, who attended to pay their last respects to his memory.

The concert by the Trinity Glee and Mandolin Clubs, of February 19, was well attended and enjoyed. The Men's League realized $22, after expenses were paid. A delegation from the Blind Institute attended and enjoyed the concert.

The first bowling tournament of fifteen members of the League has just been finished, and three prizes, for best averages, will be awarded by the rector. A second tourament will soon start, and finish about May 1.

The Lenten services on Friday evenings are quite well attended. The rector is giving a series of addresses on "How We Got Our Bible."

The Girls' Friendly Society is employed during the Lenten season in the basket-making art, at their Tuesday evening meetings. There are two teachers who find the members very willing and apt pupils.

Bishop Brewster visited the church on Sunday afternoon, March 15, and confirmed a class of twelve candidates. The sermon by the bishop was a strong and eloquent discourse. He spoke also to the class after the rite of confirmation had been conferred, and left with them the charge that, God constraineth them to do their full duty and refrain from harmful amusements.

The Men's League will hold its March meeting on Thursday, the 19th. Professor Winfred R. Martin of Trinity College will speak on "The Holy Land from the Modern Point of View." The lecture will be illustrated by stereopticon views. A quartette from Trinity will sing at the meeting. The Girls' Friendly Society will serve light refreshments.

OLIVET BAPTIST.

The ladies of the Evangeline Circle gave a 15-cent supper Friday evening, March 6, which was very well patronized. After the expenses were paid there was a balance of about $13, which will be used to help pay the pledge to the church. The regular annual meeting of the Circle was held at the church Wednesday afternoon, March 11.

Church meetings have been very well attended lately, especially the Thursday evening prayer-meetings.

There was a great deal of interest being made manifest in the series of sermons being preached by our pastor Sunday mornings. The subject of the sermons being the phophet Elijah.

About a month ago a movement was started to have a short praise service precede the regular evening sermon. These services are being conducted by Mr. Charles Edw. Prior, and have made a decided increase in the attendance, especially of young people.

A number of the young people are being drilled by Mrs. Seymour for a Japanese wedding, to be given under the auspices of the Y. P. S. C. E. This affair will be very interesting, as all of the methods and customs of the Japanese people are considered in this mock wedding. This was given one or two years ago. and was very well patronized, and the efforts of the young people were very highly appreciated.

GLENWOOD CONGREGATIONAL.

The cake and pie sale given by the Ladies' Aid Society was a success, financially and socially. Following the sale was a musical and literary programme. vocal and instrumental solos, by Mr. and Mrs. Graham, and recitations by Mr. Richmond and Miss Cora Vintons, with other features, all contributing to a delightful evening.

Wednesday, March 4, Mr. MacGeehon was called to Housatonic, Mass., to attend the funeral of Mr. Ramsdell, one of his old friends.

On Sunday, March 8, Mr. MacGeehon exchanged pulpits wil Rev. D. D. Marsh of the Wethersfield avenue church.

Wednesday evening, March 11, a recital was given by the pupils of Mrs. Mary Perwo-Sage, and a large andience assembled at the church to hear the little folks discourse sweet strains upon their violins. They certainly acquitted themselves in a manner creditable to themselves and their conscientious and pains-taking teacher, and their performance delighted all, as did also the vocal solos by Mis Elsie Bluchdorn, and the readings by Mr. R. S. McGee.

WETHERSFIELD CONGREGATIONAL.

Lincoln Day was appropriately observed by our Sunday-school on February 15, by responsive readings and recitations, and assisted by a male quartette.

The southern section of the C. E. Union, held a very enjoyable social with our society on February 25. We were favored by the different members with instrumental solos, and recitations followed with light refreshments. All had a chance to get acquainted.

The Men's League met in the chapel on March 16, and listened to Mr. Hine of Hartford on "School Consolidation."

The Ladies' Aid gave a stocking social on March 18.

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Editorial.

THE NEW PATRIOTISM NEEDED IN OUR CITIES.

The remarkable growth of the cities of the United States and the fact that the rural towns, as a rule, barely hold their own in point of numbers, seems to indicate that the time is not far off—indeed, may be very near—when the country will be ruled by the cities, a condition of affairs not altogether promising.

As the cities grow in size and the individual voter becomes, as he feels, less and less of an atom in the body politic, the impulse of patriotism falls to a low ebb, and the individual becomes indifferent. This indifference of the intelligent and honest citizen affords the opportunity for the political machine and its Boss, and so we see our largest cities usually governed by a class of dishonest and unscrupulous politicians.

The city of St. Louis offers a striking example, and the revelations there taking place, in the past few months, are fairly appalling, for it is too likely to be true, that the political corruption there exposed, is common to many of our large cities.

If steadily increasing population will at last, by sheer force of numbers, enable the cities to govern the whole country, and if the cities are incapable of decent self-government, what sort of national government can finally be expected.

It is high time to stir the slumbering patriotism in our cities, so that true civic virtue and bravery will assert itself. If we cannot shut out from the nation the hordes of ignorant and criminal classes which flock here from foreign lands, then let every effort be put forth to make them into good citizens, if possible. Let every educational facility be offered them; let every church organization do its utmost along this promising "home missionary" line; let citizens of all parties unite to drive out the saloon, by far the most demoralizing influence in our political life to-day.

But the fact remains, that nothing of reformation or salvation of the cities or the country can be accomplished, unless individuals awake to the fact before it is too late, that it is their personal vote which counts, after all. Let the whole community be aroused to a sense of the impending dangers, and then let each honest man do his whole duty and no less. Cast partisanship aside if, and whenever, necessary, and let that patriotism which knows no party take its place.

We delight as a nation to honor those patriots of the past who have fought and died for their country. In times of national stress, and especially when danger threatens from without, we rise in our might and put forth our strongest sons. Is there less need in these times, when there is so much strife and corruption within our land, for true patriotism to assert itself, and set up to govern the cities and the land men of proved integrity, superior ability, lofty purpose and unselfish ends?

THE PROPOSED REFORMATORY.

There has been a decided reawakening of interest in the subject of a State Reformatory and it is greatly to be hoped that this most desirable institution may soon be planted on Connecticut soil. Some of the features of the bill now before the General Assembly have been outlined by Hon. F. M. Warner, in *The Connecticut Citizen*, as follows:

"The bill provides for the establishing of a Reformatory, with two Departments separate from each other, one for men and one for women, neither of which shall be located within the co-operate city limits.

"There shall be five Directors, two of whom shall be women. All to be appointed by the Governor by and with advice of Senate. Governor may remove any director for cause. Directors to annually appoint and fix compensation for a General Superintendent for each Department. The Department for men shall have a man Superintendent, and the Superintendent for the women's Department shall be a woman; Secretary and other necessary officers shall be appointed and Directors may remove any such officers for cause.

"Proper reports shall be made. Superintendents shall keep inmates employed in such a manner as to provide so far as may be for their support, their recovery from evil habits and formation by themselves of the ability and disposition to support themselves and their families. He shall, subject to approval of Directors, appoint his subordinate officers and employes.

"No director shall receive any compensation, but personal expenses shall be paid.

"In Women's Department the officers and employes so far as practical shall be women. All females above the age of 16 years, and all males over 16 and under 30 years, who shall be convicted of any offense which under the laws of this State might be punished by imprisonment in jail, may be committed to the reformatory after Directors announce that they are ready to receive inmates.

"All persons over 30 years of age twice convicted of jail offense may upon third conviction be committed to said Reformatory.

"All persons shall be committed upon an indeterminate sentence; maximum not to exceed ten years, minimum not less than one year.

"All persons committed shall be under the charge and control of the Superintendent and directors.

"Directors may indenture to service any person committed to Reformatory and if reformation seems probable they may be released on Parole, to be returned to Reformatory on order of Directors if necessary.

"Substance of testimony, names of witnesses and all obtainable information about the persons committed shall be forwarded by Court committing.

"Upon full reformation any person may be discharged by Directors. Incorrigibles shall be sent to state prison for not less than five years.

"Supervising agents shall look after paroled inmates.

"Directors may purchase, lease or take grounds and erect buildings. $150,000 appropriated."

OUR FIRST DECADE COMPLETED

Ten years ago the first number of this paper appeared under the name of "Young People at Work," and it has been regularly published since. At its start good wishes were many and good friends not a few, and to those early friends and the many others who since can be so classed, *The Church Review* offers its warmest thanks for their frequent help and encouragement. Some evil prophets there were in those early days who prophesied a short life for the infant journal, but here we are—ten years old—and in good health.

We make no boasts of past achievements, nor rainbow promises for the future. We have simply endeavored to fill a place in the religious life of Hartford, which we were satisfied at the start needed filling. Others could have done it better, doubtless, but they have not yet undertaken to, and probably until they do, *The Church Review* will continue to be published at the old stand.

To our subscribers, our advertisers, and our valued correspondents and contributors we offer our thanks for past patronage and service, and trust that our old friends of the past decade will stand by us in the next one.

The rally of the Connecticut Baptist Young People's Union, at the First Baptist church, this month, was a very helpful gathering, and largely attended by Baptist young people, as well as many from other denominations. Special emphasis was given in the meetings to the Christian Culture courses, which are given a prominent place in the work of the B. Y. P. U.

Rev. George R. Warner, who has been rector of St. Thomas' church for many years, has found it necessary to resign because of ill-health. He expects to make his future home with his son in Colorado. His work at St. Thomas' church has been very successful, and he has won the esteem of an unusually wide circle of friends and acquaintances. We regret to lose Mr. Warner from the ministry of Hartford, but hope the change will result in restoring his health.

The South Baptist Church is to be congratulated on securing for its pastor, Rev. William Holloway Main, now of Syracuse, N. Y., of whom most favorable accounts are given. We hope soon to give a more detailed account of Mr. Main, and probably a portrait of him.

We call special attention to the article on Tramps in this issue. This subject is certainly a live one for every community afflicted with the tramp nuisance, and Hartford is by no means exempt. When shall we establish a municipal Lodging House here? The sooner, the better, both for the tramps, and for the community.

HARTFORD CHARITIES.

The Charity Organization Society is giving especial attention to the tenement house question. At the March meeting of the society, Rev. E. deF. Miel reported the results of an investigation into Hartford conditions. Every one not familiar with the tenement districts was surprised at the seriousness of the situation disclosed. Col. Francis Parsons reported in detail concerning the legal aspects of the question. The advancement of reform measures was left with a committee consisting of Mr. Miel, Prof. Henry Ferguson, and Col. Parsons.

The Childrens' Aid Society held a successful fair at Jewell Hall, February 17 and 18. A bill has lately been favorably reported to the General Assembly authorizing the committment of indigent and pauper children, who are crippled or incurably diseased, to the Home for Incurables at Newington, the State to pay $2.50 per week, toward their support.

FARMINGTON AVENUE CONGREGATIONAL.

The evening services during the Lenten season are fairly well attended, but it would indeed be a pleasure to the pastor to see more.

The Chinese Sunday-school would be pleased to welcome visitors.

The Mission Study Class has closed its sessions. It was addressed by Miss Alice Brown of the Theological Seminary at the last meeting.

Miss Bertha Bancroft, vice-president of the New Britain Union, conducted the Endeavor meeting recently in a most interesting manner.

SHELTER FOR WOMEN.

Our family has been quite large for some time, many new cases coming to us. Quite a little outside work has been done and the good seed sown wherever possible. The hospital is visited frequently as we usually have a number of patients there. Good reading is circulated there and also in the jail.

The lessons in basket work are still going on, and much good work is being done. The girls are kept busy in household duties and repairing clothing for our "Bureau," also in making aprons.

Our religious services are helpful and interesting, many of the former members of our family attending whenever possible.

Our friends are kindly remembering our clothing bureau, and are sending donations to it. Our sales are quite good and many worthy people are helped by being able to purchase good clothing at a low price.

We would be glad to have more people of our city become acquainted with our work.

BUSINESS AND PLEASURE.

AN ENTERPRISING CONCERN.

The Hartford Storage Battery Co., 28 High street, has taken the agency for a line of automobiles, which possess many advantages over others, and are well worth investigating. One of their automobiles is shown on our fourth page.

The Western Storage Battery is one which has given first class satisfaction, and is being substituted by many automobilists for other makes which have proved unsatisfactory.

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SPRAYING FOR ELM LEAF BEETLES.

The spraying season for the elm leaf beetles will soon be here. In order to do the work properly, I should like to have the orders in as early as possible, so I can arrange my work accordingly. Having bought one more outfit (steam power), I will be able to handle the work to better advantage, and expect to commence operations on west and south sides of the city at the same time.

Yours respectfully,

C. N. RUEDLINGER.

A certian politician, lately condemning the government for its policy concerning the income tax, is reported to have said: "They'll keep cutting the wool off the sheep that lays the golden eggs until they pump it dry.

Messrs. Cohen and Gatty, No. 815 Main street have now in stock a fine line of Spring and Summer woolens, which they are making up to order at remarkably low prices for custom work.

Mr. Alois Frey, proprietor of the new Heublein Conservatory, corner of Gold and Lewis streets, is preparing to offer for the Easter trade one of the best assortments of cut flowers and potted plants in Hartford. Easter lillies for church decoration and other purposes will have a leading place in the Easter sale.

ADDITIONAL CHURCHES.

WINDSOR CONGREGATIONAL.

Our church is to have special preaching services in the parish house Wednesday evenings during Lent. March 4, Rev. Mr. Hicks, formerly of Wethersfield, preached. March 11, Rev. Mr. Kelsey of the Fourth Congregational Church. March 18, Rev. Mr. Reinhold of Windsor Locks is expected. March 25, Rev. Mr. Clarke of Wethersfield. April 1, Prof, A. R. Merriam, and April 8, Rev. Mr. Peabody of Windsor Avenue Congregational church.

Our pastor is giving four lectures on Bunyan and the Pilgrim's Progress, Sunday evenings at seven, beginning March 15.

In the death of Andrew J. White, which occurred in February, our church lost a faithful member. Mr. White has been the letter carrier since free delivery was inaugurated in town.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

The Young Men's Guild has had the good fortune to have an excellent lecture given before its members and their friends by Professor Edwards of Trinity College. The lecture was in Jewell Hall, Y. M. C. A., and was attended by a goodly sized audience.

The rector may be seen at the church every Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock, on Friday afternoons at 5 o'clock, and at his house on Monday evenings after 7 o'clock.

One of the young men of the parish has made a new set of figures for the hymn board. They were certainly needed; the old ones were considerably worn and confusing.

The different seasons of the Christian year have also been lettered, and this will prove a help. A new parish board will soon be placed on the outside of the church.

Our old altar hangings, after long service, has been the object of needed attention on the part of the altar committee and the ladies of the parish. Some have been made over, a new one has been provided, and all, with the exception of the valuable white one, will be made over.

The altar itself has been improved, and hereafter will be more visible, as the new altar cloths will not cover it so completely.

The Sacrament of Baptism will be adminstered to children on Saturday in Holy Week at 4 o'clock. This time will soon be here, and those intending to bring their children on that day are asked to give the rector notice.

The confirmation class is receiving instruction each Sunday at 2:45, from the rector.

The last social meeting of the St. John's Missionary Society was held at the residence of Mrs. James A. Smith, February 20. This meeting from house to house has been a great pleasure, and been the means of bringing out larger numbers. On the 27th the society met in the parish room, with a goodly attendance. During the month of March, or until the work is finished, all of the meetings will be held in the parish room, every Friday, from 2 to 5 p. m.

The church is open daily from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m., for meditation and prayer.

SOUTH CONGREGATIONAL.

On Friday evening, March 13, the Young People's Society gave an entertainment, extending an invitation to all the young people of the church and Sunday-school. It was well attended and very much enjoyed by all present.

Mr. Lincoln from the Theological Seminary sang several selections, accompanied by Mrs. Johnson and Miss Bryan. Mrs. Clarence Wickham recited two selections.

There was a very fine arrangement of forty articles, very ingeniously planned by Miss Best, which taxed our guessing powers to their utmost capacity.

After this, refreshments were served, and a very pleasant social time was enjoyed by all. This is the second social given this season by the society.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, EAST HARTFORD.

Three members were received into the church this month. Misses Laura E. Stoughton and Bessie M. Robinson, on confession of faith, and Mrs. W. M. Gilbert by letter.

A birthday social was held March 10. Nearly $70 was raised for a new carpet for the chapel. A lively debate on the question of which was preferable, carpet or matting, preceded the vote, in which all had an opportunity to express their preference, and the verdict was overwhelmingly in favor of carpet.

The quarterly conference of the Sunday-school discussed the advisability of grading the school. Mr. S. H. Williams of Glastonbury spoke in favor of the project, and it was decided to formulate a definite and detailed plan to be adopted when completed.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

We are glad to receive one pastor back from his missionary tour, but we miss the presence of quite a number on account of an unusual amount of illness.

Our Sunday-school and Loyal Workers' Society have of late been interested in buying "bricks," to help build an orphanage in China, to supply a great need in missionary labor in that country. Personal offerings added brought the amount up to more than fifty dollars.

Our Loyal Workers' had a very pleasant praise meeting Tuesday evening, March 3. With selected scripture readings and hymns a service was arranged for, that was a variation from our regular meetings, and we hope, profitable. The subject was "The Lord's Second Coming." We purpose to have similar services occasionally.

PARK CONGREGATIONAL.

The meetings of the Park Church Club at noon, on Sundays, are very well attended. February 22, Mr. E. H. Capen addressed the club on "Social Results of Christianity." March 1, the subject was "The Municipal Referendum," March 8, "Compulsory Voting," March 15, President Elliott's' paper on Labor Unions. Rev. L. W. Hicks is leader of the discussions.

Our pastor preached a noteworthy sermon on March 15, when he made an earnest plea for the Reformatory in Connecticut and a chance for the criminal to grow better, instead of worse, as he does by the jail system.

The percentage of attendance at Sunday-school still continues high, and the interest in the lessons in old testament history is sincere and lasting. We are especially blessed with a faithful corps of teachers and officers.

The ladies of the sewing societies have decided to hold their fair on the afternoon and evening of Wednesday, April 22.

The Mission Circle cleared $75 from their sale February 11, and have voted $50 of the amount to the Bushnell-Burton Memorial fund, $20 to the Industrial School in Montgomery, Ala. A barrel, estimated value $45.50, was also sent to the school.

ASYLUM AVENUE BAPTIST.

At the last missionary meeting of the C. E. Society, Mr. Chas. Edw. Prior conducted the services, being assisted in the singing by a large delegation from the Italian Mission, in which he is much interested. As evidence of the pleasure they gave us, nearly every one remained to hear more of the music, which they generously gave us at the close of the meeting. The Baptists of Hartford are much interested in the work among these people. Miss Fannie Strong and some of the "little folks" of the Sunday-

school gave an enjoyable entertainment last month. Dr. Stone is at present resting "on the wing," but is expected to flit back to the home nest this week, where a cordial welcome awaits him.

The C. E. meeting of March 15, conducted by Rev. Mr. Maplesden, couldn't help being a good one, and at the business meeting which followed, it was voted to send the $30 raised by special subscription to the Missionary Union towards the fund for a mission house in China at the station where Mr. and Mrs. Warburton are located. Mrs. Warburton being one of our own young people at one time, much interest is felt in this particular station.

WETHERSFIELD AVENUE CONGREGATIONAL.

Our Sunday-school mourns the loss of one of our members, Helen A. Main, who died February 19, of diphtheria, aged 11 years. Flowers were sent by her Sunday-school class and Y. M. C. February 22 was observed as a memorial service for our little friend. A committee of three, consisting of E. C. Barnes, Miss Elizabeth A. Phipps and R. H. Noble were appointed to draw up resolutions. These resolutions were drawn up and adopted the following Sunday, and will be forwarded to the family.

The Christian Endeavor Society held its semi-annual election of officers the first of this month.

We have considerable activity in the Sunday-school. Each class is trying to do its best towards raising funds to pay the church debt. Mrs. Barnes' class and Miss Phipps' class, recently gave a very interesting stereopticon lecture. Miss Mary Noble's class is to give an old-fashioned supper.

The school is to be divided into two parts to collect old rubber, which will be sold.

Mrs. Bel has charge of the boys. Miss Mary Noble will have charge of the girls. Both sides are anxious to lead.

Our pastor, Rev. D. D. Marsh, has bought a beautiful residence in West Hartford, and will soon move over there.

Miss Bessie Noble is expected home soon from Pittsfield, Mass., where she has been for nearly a year.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER.

During the Lenten season Dr. Adams is holding special services on Tuesday afternoons, at 4:30, and Thursday evenings, at 8 o'clock. These services are of special Lenten nature and the themes are the "Psalms" and "The Universalist Faith." Everyone is welcome.

Beginning next Sunday, March 22, Dr. Adams will address the older scholars of the Sunday-school on the subject of uniting with the church on Easter Sunday.

The regular monthly vesper service was held March 15. The choir was assisted by Mrs. Grace Preston Naylor. Dr. Adams spoke on "Portable Religion."

Sunday evening, February 22, a men's meeting was held in the vestry at which Rev. Rockwell Harmon Potter addressed the men of the parish on "What the men can do for the Church." The attendance was large and fully represented the male portion of the parish.

The semi-annual business meeting of the Young Peoples' Guild was held Wednesday evening, March 11, at which officers for the ensuing year were elected. Members of the Guild are preparing to attend the annual mid-year meeting and convention to be held in Danbury, Conn., April 3 and 4.

UNITY CHURCH.

On Sunday, February 15, Mr. Waite preached at Cornell University. The desk was supplied by the Rev. Mr. Hutchins of Springfield, who gave a very interesting discourse on the "Modern Theology."

The February social took the form of a very pleasing entertainment given by the young people of the church in the lower hall. The play, an "Old Maids' Convention," with twenty-six characters, was presented. Miss Reardon took the part of the president; Mr. Frank Mather was the French professor; Mr. Thomas Couch made up as a young lady of fashion, and sang two solos; Miss Lillian Kline as a fisher-girl sang "Caller Herrin"; Miss Carrie Clark danced in Spanish costume. It is impossible briefly to characterize the different parts, for all were well done. The costumes were handsome and appropriate, quaint and old-fashioned. A large audience was present.

MEMORIAL BAPTIST.

The first Sunday in March is observed annually as Memorial Church Day, as a time to look back over the year's work. There were no special services this year. Our pastor's sermon in the morning was a brief review of the events of the year.

The evening of March 8, was given up to the opening of the missionary mite-boxes, and appropriate exercises by the children. Mr. Gray, a student volunteer from the Seminary, gave a talk on the importance of little things, especially in relation to missionary work.

WINDSOR AVENUE CONGREGATIONAL.

A parish house is soon to be added to the church, which is to be the generous gift of Miss Clara E. Hillyer.

Sunday morning, March 8, the pulpit was occupied by Dr. Rider, who spoke in the interest of the A. M. A.

The Willing and Kind Circle of King's Daughters gave an entertainment Wednesday evening, February 18, entitled "The Old Maids' Convention." A large sum of money was realized.

The Choral Club gave its first concert on the evening of February 25. The chorus work was splendid and the solos by the choir were very much enjoyed. Miss Georgia, the elocutionist, added greatly to the enjoyment of the evening.

The recent missionary meeting of the Christian Endeavor Society was led by Rev. Mr. Goin of New Haven, assisted by Mr. Lawson of this city. At the close of the meeting Mr. Lawson rendered several selections on the piano.

The temperance meeting of the Society was conducted by Mrs. Forbes.

Last Monday evening the C. E. meeting was in charge of several young people from the Windsor Society. Mr. Snow led the meeting, and a vocal solo was rendered by Miss Taylor. Several others from Windsor also took part.

The Willing and Kind Circle of Kings' Daughters and their friends spent a social evening at the home of Mrs. C. W. Morrill, 128 Bellevue street, Wednesday evening, March 11. Games and music were the feature of the evening and light refreshments were served.

The childrens' mission band gave a reception last Thursday afternoon.

Friday evening, March 20, Mr. Truman J. Spencer will deliver his lecture, "The Regicides of Inverness," a character study of Macbeth and Lady Macbeth. Mrs. Walter G. Cowles will sing. All are welcome. An offering will be taken for the benefit of the Mission band.

FIRST BAPTIST.

Rev. Oliver Hart Bronson, of the Simsbury Congregational Church, preached from our pulpit, Sunday morning, March 15.

The Mothers' Meeting continues to be successful with its Wednesday afternoon gathering. On Tuesday, March 17, the business meeting of the visitors was held at Miss Howard's home on Collins street.

On March 12, there was held in our church one of a series of rallies of the Baptist Young Peoples' Union of the State. An afternoon session considered the work and purpose of the Union and an evening session was occupied by an address on "Christian Culture Courses," by Rev. H. E. Wise of Norwich, and by a short address by the new general sec-

retary of the Union, Rev. Walter Calley.

The special Evangelistic meetings just concluded have been productive of most gratifying results, and have given a decided stimulus to the religious life of our members.

A determined effort is being made to secure a new organ for our church. One is needed greatly, and the time cannot be far distant when our old one will be replaced with one of modern manufacture.

The annual meeting of the Young People's Association occurs this month.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, WEST HARTFORD.

The annual church meeting, postponed from January, was held on Thursday afternoon and evening, February 12, the pastor presiding. Reports of the various organizations connected with the church were read, and officers elected for the ensuing year. A recess was taken at 12.30 for an hour, during which a bountiful repast was served by the ladies of the church.

The Junior Auxiliary Missionary Society met at the home of Miss Flora Hawley on Friday, February 6. A foreign missionary program on "China" and "Turkey" was carried out. Supper, furnished by the members of the society was served at 6 o'clock, followed by a pleasant evening of music and recitations. The society is now working on articles of clothing to be sent to Dr. Julia Bissell, for use in the hospital at Ahmednagar, India.

Our pastor, Rev. T. M. Hodgdon, has recovered from his recent attack of illness and has resumed his church duties. Prof. C. M. Geer occupied the pulpit on Sunday mornings, February 22, and March 1.

On Sunday evening, March 1, Professor Geer, who is the leader of the mission study class, gave a lecture, illustrated by stereopticon views, on "India." This was of great interest to our people, not only because "India" is the subject of study for the Mission Class, but likewise because India is the home of our missionary, Rev. H. G. Bissell.

The Men's Union held a meeting in the chapel on Friday evening, March 6. "Fruit Culture," was the subject of discussion.

Our superintendent, W. H. Hall, has introduced a new feature into the Sunday-school—a choir of young people to lead in the singing of hymns.

At the communion service, Sunday morning, March 15, eleven new members were received on confession of faith and three by letter. Individual communion cups were used for the first time.

BLOOMFIELD CONGREGATIONAL

The entertainment arranged by the Ladies' Benevolent Society, and given at the town hall, Friday evening, March 13, netted the society something over thirty dollars. The ladies are greatly indebted to the members of the West Side Literary Club, who gave a representation of an old time district school as the second part of the program.

Sunday, March 15, was observed as Decision Day in the Sunday-school. About seventy-five cards were signed and returned to the superintendent. The cards had printed on them the following:

"My Confession—I believe that 'God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.'

I believe that Jesus loved me, and gave himself for me.

It is my earnest purpose to love Him who first loved me, and serve Him who died for me.

I know I cannot save myself, and looking to God for strength,—

I accept the Lord Jesus Christ as my Savior, and will endeavor to follow His example and obey His commands.

I decide to-day.

I have decided.

I am not yet ready to decide to endeavor to live a Christian life with Christ's help."

The request was made that those who were not professing Christians should mark one of these three and sign the card. Church members were expected simply to sign the card as a confession, or reconsecration.

The music committee is endeavoring to decide upon a hymn-book that shall be suitable alike for the Sunday-school and the evening meetings. Several have been examined, but just the right one has not yet been found.

Mrs. M. J. Bradley has been re-engaged as church organist and Miss E. L. Dean to play the piano for the Endeavor meetings Sunday evenings.

Obstinate grip colds have been prevalent in the pastor's family this winter. Mrs. Brown and her sister, Miss Bishop, and Albert Brown, who is a freshman at Yale, have been the afflicted ones. The latter was home from New Haven more than two weeks.

One of the best places in the city to procure strictly fresh flowers for the Easter season, or any other occasion, is at the Old Town Farm Greenhouse, corner of Sargeant and Atwood streets. Mr. Geo. S. Osborn, the proprietor, suggests that orders for the Easter season be placed well in advance.

HARTFORD C. E. UNION.

The Lookout committees connected with the various societies of the Union held a conference recently at the Fourth Congregational church, which was well attended. The outlying districts were well represented.

The Prayer Meeting committees held their conference Tuesday evening, March 17, at the Windsor Avenue Congregational church, and it was a very interesting meeting. This committee is the mainstay of the society, and it behooves societies to select their prayer meeting committees with care.

The Junior Committee Conference held at the South Baptist Church, March 10, was helpful, but very poorly attended.

The Social committees will hold a conference, March 24, at the Park Congregational church. It is to be hoped every one interested in the work will attend.

The April meeting of the Union is close at hand and we hope that each society will be well represented.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS.

[From the Presbyterian C. E. Manual.]

Sun., Mar. 15. Topic—Lessons from the Sermon on the Mount: What Christ Teaches About Trust. Matt. 6: 19-34.

If there were two banks in a town, one of which certain to break in a few years, while the other was known to be absolutely safe, which bank would sensible persons have their accounts in? No one doubts which. But the man who lays up treasures on earth instead of in heaven is depositing thus in the wrong bank—the bank that is certain to break.

Laying up treasure in heaven is a good thing also, in that it leads the soul to take an ever-increasing interest in heavenly things. The man whose investments are beyond this earth learns to look at time and eternity in their right proportions. He trusts God with his means, his time, his whole soul. He takes God's view of things, not his own.

POINTS FOR STUDY.

What choice did Lot make, and what was the result?

What refusal did the rich young ruler make?

How was Elijah sustained in the wilderness?

What was Christ's answers to the temptings of Satan?

Sun., Mar. 22. Topic—Lessons from the

Sermon on the Mount: What Christ Teaches About Judging Others. Matt. 7:1-5.

As a matter of fact, judging others puts our soul at once in a wrong position toward God and man. We take a forbidden attitude toward our brother when we judge his case, which we have neither the ability, the knowledge, nor the right to do. We take a wrong attitude toward God when we usurp his prerogative of judgment. God has not given us either the ability or the responsibility of judging.

So, when we judge others, we hurt our own souls, and become culprits ourselves. The habit of condemning other ruins Christian character. It hurts the church, it hurts the cause of religion. When the world says sincerely, "See how these Christians love one another," the world is drawn to the church; but when the world can fairly use these same words as a sneer instead, things are in a bad way for religious progress.

POINTS FOR STUDY.

What mistaken judgment did Eli make upon Hannah?

What was the Pharisee's attitude toward the publican?

Why did the disciples wish to call down fire upon the village?

Sun., Mar. 29. Topic—A Mission Study of Africa. Ps. 68:29-31; Isa. 43:3.

We must not think of Africa as an altogether new field for Christianity. In the first centuries of the Church's life, northern Africa was largely conquered for Christianity. Alexandria became a great Christian center, and there, it is claimed, the Septuagint was made—the Greek version of the Scriptures which was so uuniversally used in the early days of the Church.

Augustine, one of the greatest of Christian bishops and theologians, was an African, and, returning from Italy after his conversion, labored much for his native province of Numidia, now the land of Algeria. Abyssinia was Christianized in these early days, and there are still Abyssinian Christians. Ethiopia did "stretch out her hands unto God" in those missionary times. But afterwards the fierce followers of Mohammed poured over northern Africa, wiping out Christianity in blood and fire; and their power has continued down to our day.

Now, however, Christian nations are once more supreme in Africa. England holds the key of Egypt, and Gordon's memory is enshrined in a Christian college at Khartoum. Not only northern, but central and southern Africa are open to the gospel. There is no longer any conquering heathen power in Africa. It is ready for Christianity. Are the Christians of America ready to meet this great opportunity?

POINTS FOR STUDY.

What did Livingstone's work in Africa accomplish?

What special missions has our church in Africa?

What has been done to stop the African drink traffic?

What nations now have possessions and protectorates in Africa?

Sun., Apr. 5. Topic—What the Parable of the Good Samaritan Teaches us. Luke 10: 30-37.

One who had done some work among the poor gave it up, and her reason was, "I found no one who was grateful." She had hold of the wrong clue. Christ's clue is different. If she could have said, "I found no one who had need of me," then she would have been free from the gospel claim of brotherhood.

The good Samaritan did not stop to inquire whether the wounded man was likely to be grateful. All he saw was the sufferer's need. That made the link of brotherhood between them. Any one we can help is our neighbor. This makes our neighborhood very populous, indeed. Many people prefer comparative solitude. They pick and choose their neighbors, taking in very few. They do not feel that the rest "have any claim upon them," to use a favorite phrase.

But that is the spirit of the priest and Levite, not of the good Samaritan. The need of the wounded man was a claim upon every one who passed by. Christ leaves no doubt as to which of the three passers-by was approved by him.

POINTS FOR STUDY.

What test must we pass in the Last Judgment?

Why was there enmity between Jew and Samaritan?

How did the early Church show the spirit of brotherhood?

Sun., Apr. 12. Topic—Christ's Teaching about the Resurrection. John 11: 21-27, 40-44. (Easter Meeting.)

Outside the Bible there is no authoritative teaching about the immortality of the soul. In the Bible the chief teaching of this truth is by Jesus Christ. His statements are made with authority. They are not suppositions, hopes, or arguments. They are positive declarations, made as distinctly and clearly as Christ could make them.

Christ did not argue the truth of immortality; he stated it. He did not tell us many details about the immortal life, but he told all that is necessary for an immortal soul to know.

The fullest revealing of immortality which our Lord gave was in his own rising again. He proved himself Lord of death and life. The grave could not hold him. He came from it unhurt. Death was only an incident in his experience.

POINTS FOR STUDY.

What did Christ promise the dying thief?

What did Paul write to the Corinthians about the resurrection?

What does John say about the New Jerusalem?

There have been large additions of late to the ranks of the Christian Endeavor hosts in many of the States. Massachusetts has added twenty-nine societies to her roll within a few weeks, New York as many more, Pennsylvania about the same number, while many other States in proportion to the population have done equally well. In England, twenty-eight societies were enrolled in one week in February. The effort to increase the number of societies by at least one-tenth is very generally adopted throughout the Union. Some individual societies have already added more than one-hundred per cent. to their numbers. A general revival of Christian Endeavor work is reported from many sections.

WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

At our meeting March 3, two papers were presented for consideration and discussion. The first was in advocacy of a return to the old-fashioned method of pledge-signing as a temperance measure. Not discarding any of the present weapons of warfare, but making use of this means—largely inoperative from disuse.

In the second paper — an important one as we believe — the writer dealt with the use of intoxicating liquors in cooking and pointed out the danger of a slumbering appetite in the brandy seasoned pies, pastries and sauces, and to children, as she believes, in cultivating an appetite for alcoholics. It is her belief that many a man can trace his downfall to an appetite formed at his mother's table.

In Thessalonica, Bulgaria, where Paul established the second Christian church in Europe, there is a flourishing Christian Endeavor Society of twenty members, whose meetings never drag for want of participation.

Preparations are being made at Denver for one of the largest and most important Christian Endeavor Conventions ever held. The Convention meets from the ninth to the thirteenth of July, and many thousands of Endeavorers will assemble from all parts of the country. A great tent holding ten thousand people will be used together with other smaller tents, and something like forty churches of the city for different meetings and rallies. The people of Denver and all Colorado are largely interested in the coming International Convention, which they believe will be one of the largest conventions of a religious character the world has ever seen.

MORGAN STREET CHAPEL.

The Sunday evening services at the chapel have been well attended the past month, and have been very interesting and helpful. Rev. H. E. Peabody, of the Windsor Avenue Congregational Church, spoke at a recent meeting on "Whosoever committeth sins is the slave of sin." The attendance was unusually large that evening, and the speaker received closest attention. Other speakers have been Mr. Pomeroy, who has charge of the boys' meetings at the Y. M. C. A., Mr. A. D. Leavitt, and Rev. S. B. Forbes.

Special music has been contributed by some blind musicians, by the quartette from the Theological Seminary, and others. These meetings attract

many who cannot be reached through the Sunday-school and other organizations of the Mission.

WARBURTON CHAPEL.

At this season of the year we always feel deeply grateful to those who selected the site for the Chapel on ground high enough to escape the annual freshets. It is hoped that sometime there may be some remedy devised which will prevent the flooding of the East Side with every rise of the river and thereby avoid much inconvenience to many and the great menace to health which is now so frequently experienced.

The general line of the Chapel work has been very encouraging in spite of the many cases of sickness in our midst.

The Sunday-school shows a good attendance and active interest in the services.

A class for mothers has been organized, with Mrs. Solon P. Davis, as teacher.

The regular mothers' meetings are interesting and well supported.

The Kindergarten mothers held a meeting March 12, that being the first one in that department since Christmas.

The Young Ladies' Social Club meets every Monday evening instead of alternate weeks, as at the beginning of the season.

On the evening of January 30, the choir entertained its friends with a program of music and recitation.

A valentine social was given Friday evening, February 13, by the Young Ladies' Club. The Chapel was decorated to suggest the season in honor of the saint, and games adapted to the thought of the evening, with valentine prizes, were arranged around the room. A concert was given by the orchestra of twenty-five pieces from the South School, under the direction of Mr. William D. Monnier. The recitation "Asleep at the Switch," given by Mr. Edward F. O'Brien, was well rendered, and brought forth a round of hearty applause at its close. About two hundred and fifty were present.

A fine picture of the old Charter Oak has recently been placed in the primary room, it being a gift from one of the officers of the school.

The Penny Provident Bank has proved to be one of the helpful ways to teach our scholars to save their money. One of the girls had $5 deposited to her credit in a savings bank, February 28, which represented her savings for two months.

Charles Keehn, a scholar in the primary department, died of pneumonia, Sunday, March 1. Charles was seven years old, and had been a member of our school since November, 1901.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The theater meetings for men held at the Hartford Opera House closed with Sunday, March 29. The Committee is pleased with the success of the past winter's work, the attendance aggregating over 15,000. One member of the committee, who made quite a study of the audiences, has estimated that at least one-half of these were non-church going men. On the last three Sundays in March cards were distributed to the audience to be filled out, containing information as to the church attendance and preference of the men, and from those signed and handed in, a large number of names were secured of men who are thinking of becoming members of churches. The committee expects to follow these up and encourage as many as possible to unite with some of the churches of Hartford. The meetings on Sunday afternoon for men will be continued at the Association building during April and May. A club of men has been organized to study the "Principles of Jesus," for the eleven Sunday afternoons of April-June. The Club will meet from 5 to 6 p. m., and is open to all men who would like to attend.

The 25th anniversary of the Association will be celebrated with a mass meeting to be held in Parsons's Theater Sunday afternoon, May 10. There will be a fine musical program and the address of the evening will be given by Rev. Newell Dwight Hillis, pastor of Plymouth Church, Brooklyn.

The Hillyer Institute closes its winter work with the last of March. Examinations are now being conducted, a large number of men participating. A spring term is being planned for and it is expected that quite a number of students will continue their work through the next two months.

The series of popular illustrated lectures have been very successful, Jewell Hall being taxed to its utmost capacity on each of these evenings. The closing lecture in this series will be given in Unity Hall, Monday evening, April 27, by Mr. Gilbert McClurg of Colorado, on the "Attractions and Glories of Pike's Peak Region." This lecture has attracted wide attention, and has been heard by crowded audiences everywhere Mr. McClurg has gone. Admission is free, but complimentary tickets must be obtained at the Association building.

In the Physical Department and Boys' Department, the summer work is now being planned. The Boys' Camp will be conducted, and Clarke Pomeroy, Boys' Department Secretary, is planning to take a party of the larger boys on a tramp through the White Mountains.

The Thirty-second State Convention of the Connecticut Young Men's Christian Associations was held at Derby, March 19-22. It was largely attended, and was one of the mot enthusiastic and helpful conventions in the history of the work of the State. There is to be an International Conference of the employed officers of the Young Men's Christian Associations at Chautauqua Lake, in June.

THE OPEN HEARTH.

The last month of the work at the Open Hearth has been one of great interest to all the friends of the institution, and shows the hold it has on the people at large, and the cordial sympathy they give to the efforts of Superintendent Miller, on behalf of those among whom his work is cast.

From all quarters come the claim for sympathy of people sick and well, family troubles and disagreements, as well as the poor and afflicted, who come to tell their troubles and, notwithstanding all this ever-increasing work, the establishment of the Women's Society has been fully inaugurated and is now an efficient branch of the Open Hearth. A large number have joined this society and at the reception given by those connected with that work, the rooms, spacious though they are, would hardly contain the number present. The Girl's Club has also an increased membership and numbers are gathered each evening in the pleasant parlors, where social enjoyment and games, as well as singing, are the features. A pleasant time is enjoyed, and a cordial welcome extended to all. The Boys' Club is another feature and a well known professor gives one evening a week to teaching, in a systematic manner, a class in instrumental music, and the lessons have proved that many have a good ear for music, and the training, if pursued, will bring forth some who will doubtless become skilful in the profession.

The approach of spring will still further increase the work, but all look forward with the assurance that the good accomplished well repays the efforts put forth. The wood yard still furnishes work for numbers of men, and during the past month a friend who has done much for the institution, has given a splitter, which will enable the work in the yard to be much increased.

The meetings are fully attended, and morning and evening, numbers who are desirous of leading better lives, are present and listen to the addresses of Superintendent Miller, and it is believed receive lasting benefit. In a word every department of the Open Hearth is flourishing as never before.

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Total receipts in 1902, .	12,816,800.09
Payments to Policy holders in 1902, ...	6,368,099.76
Legal Reserve, on Policies and all claims, . .	55,879,111.68
Special Reserve in addition to Reserve above given,	2,113,933.00
Guarantee Fund in excess of Requirements by Company's Standard, ...	5,500,501.05
Guarantee Fund in excess of Legal Requirements.	7,694,434.05
Life insurance issued and revived in 1902, . .	30,489,838.00
Life insurance in force, Jan. 1, 1903, . . .	213,762,977.00
Accident Insurance in force Jan. 1. 1903, . .	199,550,204.00

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LITERARY DEPARTMENT

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"The Bilioustine" is a jubilant parody of Elbert Hubbard's "Philistine." It is full of fresh and vigorous hits at the more noticeable hobbies and characteristics of the "Roycrofters,' and their high priest, and sarcastic, without being malicious. "The Bilioustine," sells for twenty-five cents and is published by Wm. S. Lord of Evanston, Ill. It is well worth the price.

Ray Stannard Baker's series of articles on "The Great Southwest," published last year in *The Century*, won favor that means a welcome for the new series of "The Great Northwest," whose beginning is the leading article in the March *Century*.

"The Shamelessness of St. Louis," in the March number of McClure's Magazine records the history of a political corruption hardly realizable in this day. It is a vivid recital of remarkable facts. The same number contains several stories of real merit and the continuation of Miss Tarbell's "History of the Standard Oil Trust."

"How Modern Science Proves the Bible True" is the title of an intensely interesting feature in the *Woman's Home Companion* for March. The Rev. A. T. Clay, of the University of Pennsylvania, sums up the researches of scientists and reproduces many Babylonian and Assyrian documents which confirm much of the Old Testament history.

On Satan's Mount. By Dwight Tilton. 459 pages, 12 mo. Boston: C. M. Clark Pub. Co. Price, $1.50.

A tale of the world of politics and finance in which the ruin caused by the possession and use of great power is made vividly and terribly significant. The story is a strong one, and is of thrilling and sustained interest throughout.

If Dwight Tilton is not very well known in a few years it will be owing to a great retrogression in his work. At present he is fast making for himself a place wherein he must shortly be recognized. His work is brilliant and above all, distinctly original. The illustrations for the present story are well drawn, and are in full harmony with the text.

The Reverend John Henry. By Percival R. Benson. 188 pages, 16 mo. New York: A. S. Barnes & Co.

Illustration from "WHERE THE WIND BLOWS."
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A sub-title says that the story relates "incidents which deeply concerned one life, and were not without their bearing upon others."

It is the story of a man with a strong purpose and with high ideals, who, in trying to put into practice his views of justice, honor and the fitness of things, meets opposition and is made to suffer for his conscientiousness.

The plot is not a new one, but it is worked out with some care and skill, so that it is entertaining and real all through.

Where the Wind Blows. By Katharine Pyle. 120 pages, 8vo. New York: R. H. Russell. Price $2.00.

Ten fairy tales retold from the folk-lore of as many different peoples, and illustrated and embellished with rare grace and beauty by Bertha Corson Day, make up this dainty volume.

The Wind recounts these stories to his grandmother away up in "No-Man's-Land," and beginning with the quaint and marvelous tale of "The Wanderings of the Vicram Maharajah," goes on to tell of "Urashina," and "Thor at Jotunheim," and "Sir Gawain," and many others. Beautifully told are these wonderful romances, and the publisher has given them a setting worthy of them. One of the characteristic illustrations we reproduce on this page.

The Holland Wolves. By J. Breckinridge Ellis. 395 pages, 12 mo. Chicago: A. C. McClurg & Co. Price, $1.50.

A story of Holland in the days of religious persecution, though it is more in the style of Dumas, than of Sienkiewicz. Unfortunately a certain affectation of manner dilutes the vividness of the scenes and makes it less convincing than it should be. The plot is excellent and the uncritical reader will find his interest held closely.

The characters depicted are notably good and possess marked individualities. The author's careful study of the time and people is evidenced. The volume is well illustrated as the specimen on this page will show.

Truth. By Emile Zola. Translated by Ernest A. Vizetelly. 596 pages, 12 mo. New York: John Lane. Price, $1.50.

Zola designed a series of four novels to be known as The Four Evangelists. The first was "Fruitfulness," next came "Work," and now the third—and what fate has made the last, "Truth," is published. The author completed it just before his death, and it deals to a large degree, as a story, with the events which brought out the most dramatic features of this work, namely: the trial of Dreyfus.

Not only is this story retold, with some changes which indicate a deeper seeing into the mysteries of that affair, but the story is used also as a substantial peg upon which to hang a treatise upon education — particularly of education in France. The work is an impressive and powerful one, startling in some respects and vigorous throughout.

The Little Girl Next Door. By Nina Rhoades. 248 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Lee & Shepard.

The story of an acquaintance between two little girls, one of whom was blind. The misadventures that obtruded into their lives cemented their acquaintance into a friendship close and lasting.

The fear of one of the little girls of the terrible consequences of a step-mother being introduced into her home, only to find that the step-mother so dreaded, is a beautiful young lady of whom both children are very fond, is one of the prettiest touches of a dainty and charming story.

The Spirit of the Ghetto. By Hutchins Hapgood. 312 pages, 12 mo. New York: Funk & Wagnalls Company. Price $1.35.

Short studies of life in the Jewish quarter of New York, articles having

Illustration from "THE HOLLAND WOLVES."
A. C. McClurg & Co., Publishers.

for the most part appeared in various magazines and newspapers, make up this entertaining and instructive volume.

The large number of characters depicted serve to give a comprehensive picture and convey a clear understanding of the life, the motives and the habits of the Ghetto. The sketches are all very readable and the author has succeeded in producing in a volume something that will be of permanent and real value. The sketches and drawings from life by Jacob Epstein, add materially to the book.

Vienna and the Viennese. By Maria Hornor Lansdale. 430 pages, 8 vo. Philadelphia: Henry T. Coates & Co.

It is surprising, as each volume of this series of books on the various countries, cities and people come out, how high the standard of excellence is kept. One is forced to wonder what efforts are necessary in order to find authorities in so widely ranging subjects, who are in addition, gifted with the required literary skill.

Like the preceding volumes, several of which we have noticed, this is a work of art as well as a book. The illustrations can not often be seen surpassed. Reproductions of photographs of the palaces, statuary people and other notable objects, embellish the text. The work is a thoroughly entertaining one, giving a thorough idea of the more important features of the Vienna of to-day, as well as much of its history.

The book is beautifully bound and the illustrations worthy of special mention. One of them we reproduce on this page by courtesy of the publishers.

Monument of Empress Maria Theresa.

From "Vienna and the Viennese." Henry T. Coates and Co., Publishers.

The Western Slope. By Celia Parker Woolley. 243 pages, 12 mo. Evanston, Ill: Wm. S. Lord, Publisher.

"The Western Slope" is a phrase which designates the afternoon period of life; that of maturer judgment and reflection; of enlarged sympathies and softened beliefs. Under this caption the writer reviews the general progress of ideas in matters of education, religion, and social activity.

The essays which make up this book are thoroughly healthy and optimistic in tone. The author, who is well known in the West as a writer, preacher and lecturer, has had wide experience of life and work and it is significant that she retains so cheery a belief in the worth of common things and of man's present estate.

The Captain (General Grant). By Churchill Williams. 439 pages, 12 mo. Boston: The Lothrop Company Price, $1.50.

General Grant is here made to play a part in a stirring story of love and adventure on the eve of the Civil War and during its course.

A keen appreciation of the greatness of the silent, self-contained man, who calmly and unswervingly persisted in his course, is only imparted to the reader because of an evident study of, and sympathy with, the man on the part of the author.

Historical scenes are portrayed with vivid impressiveness and the thrilling scenes are not few in number. One learns to admire more than ever the greatness of Grant.

The romance is beautifully told and the whole purpose of the book well developed. It is excellently illustrated.

The Master of Warlock. By George Cary Eggleston. 433 pages, 12 mo. Boston: Lothrop Publishing Company. Price, $1.50.

Another story of Virginia in war times in the early days of the Rebellion might be unwelcome, did not its author's name promise so much for it that there need be no fear of dullness or the commonplace.

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The plot may sound trite, but the story is in the telling, in its vigor, earnestness and genuine beauty and picturesqueness.

Triumphs of Science. Edited by M. A. L. Lane. 154 pages, 16 mo. Boston: Ginn & Company. Price 30 cents.

The latest volume in "The Youth's Companion Series," to which reference has several times been made in these columns.

In this is told such things as "The Story of the Atlantic Cable," "The Lighting of Our Coast," "Submarine Boats," "How War Ships are Built," "Where Railroads Go," and other stories of features of modern life and progress. These volumes are intended for children and are full of meat and interest.

By the Ramparts of Jezreel. By Arnold Davenport. 388 pages, 12 mo. New York: Longmans, Green & Co. Price $1.50.

A fascinating tale of the days of Queen Jezebel, in which the great queen is portrayed with strength and vividness. The intrigues carried on by her, form the thrilling interest which relaxes hardly a paragraph throughout.

The battles of King Ahab are depicted naturally and with a realism that reveals a power and versatility in the author seldom approached in Biblio-historical novels. Many historical characters are of course introduced and though the story is long, the excellence, especially of the character pictures, gives all the excuse necessary.

The opening chapters of John Fox's serial, "The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come," in *Scribner's*, have won for him a host of readers and a great deal of praise, both from the press and from letters which have been showered upon him. The story is peculiarly sympathetic and the struggles of the boy-mountaineer to rise out of his class are depicted not only with humor, but with fine pathos.

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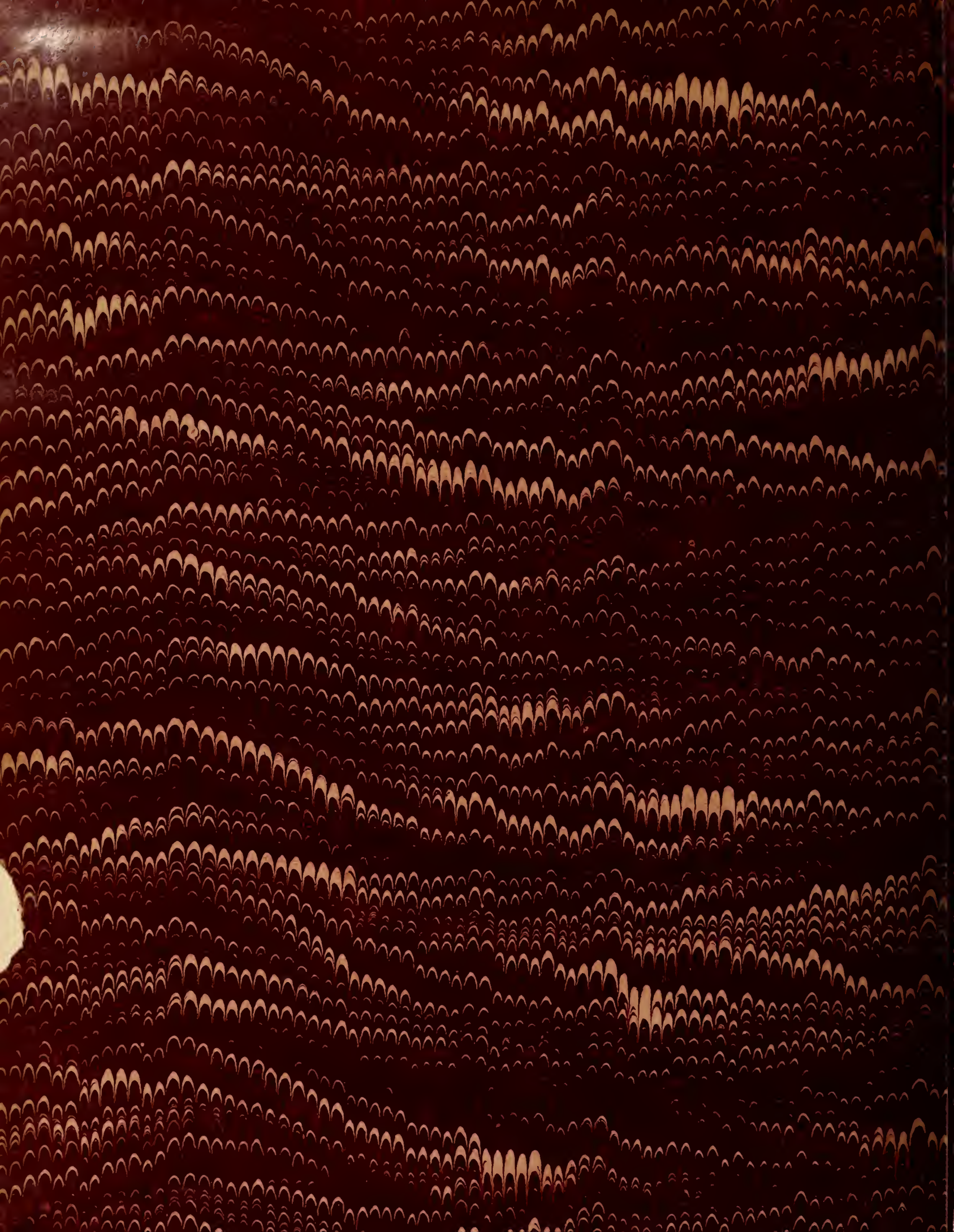

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